

THREATENED STRIKE OF RAILROAD MEN, POSTPONED UNTIL MONDAY NIGHT, MAY BE ENTIRELY AVERTED

AMICABLE SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES IS PROBABLE

W. G. Lee, Spokesman for the Brotherhood Chiefs, Expresses Belief That Satisfactory Agreement With Managers Will Be Reached—President's Committee of Mediators Will Resume Conferences With Both Sides Today.

HUNDREDS OF EMPLOYEES QUIT WORK LAST NIGHT

Were Expected to Return to Their Posts as Soon as Notice Was Received That Original Strike Orders Had Been Revoked—Walk-Out Postponed at Request of Mediators for More Time in Which to Complete Their Plans

New York, March 17.—After a forty-eight hour truce between the four railroad brotherhoods and the railroads had been declared here late today, thus averting the great "progressive" strike that was to have begun at 7 o'clock tonight, W. G. Lee, chief of the trainmen and spokesman for the brotherhood chiefs, asserted that he believed an amicable settlement of all the differences would be reached by Monday. This was taken to mean that the efforts of the President's committee of mediators representing the Council of National Defense not only had been successful in halting the strike tonight, but that with the resumption of conferences tomorrow and Monday the whole situation probably would be cleared and the country again assured of normal transportation conditions.

Managers Do Not Share Optimism.
The optimism of the brotherhood chief, however, was not shared by the railroad managers. While no statement was forthcoming from them, it was asserted that the settlement of the differences was entirely contingent upon a decision on Monday by the Supreme Court favorable to the Adamson law. In that event, it was understood, they agreed that they would accept the application of the law on the basis of ten hours pay for eight hours work, with pro-rata pay for overtime.

No other concessions were made and the question as to what turn the situation would take in the event of no decision being made or of a decision declaring the Adamson law unconstitutional, remained to be determined, according to an official in touch with the managers.

Many Men Quit Work.
Mr. Lee's reassuring statement came after he was informed that many members of the four brotherhoods in Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Illinois, failing to receive word of the postponement of the strike, actually had quit work today. He said he was not surprised at this inasmuch as there was so little time—less than three hours—in which to communicate with the men.

"That should be sufficient proof of the fact that we were not talking idly when we said all our members would obey the strike order," said Mr. Lee. "We knew they would—every one of them."

It was agreed with the railroads, he added, that in the event of many of the men failing to receive word of the change in the situation and going on strike, the railroads should not attempt to discipline them in any way. Mr. Lee said he was confident that misunderstanding would be straightened out before midnight tonight and that those who had left their places would have returned to work by that time.

Victory for Mediators.
The decision late today to postpone the strike for 48 hours was reached only after three of the President's mediators—Secretary of the Interior Lane, Secretary of Labor Wilson and Daniel Willard—had labored almost incessantly since early last night with the four brotherhood chiefs and the conference committee of railroad managers.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, who also was appointed a mediator, did not arrive in this city until tonight, explaining that he had been at Atlantic City and did not learn of his presence was desired here until this afternoon.

Mr. Lee Breaks Silence.
While it was generally understood that a tentative agreement had been reached, all who participated in the conference maintained silence until Mr. Lee made his statement tonight. The head of the trainmen's brotherhood intimated that concessions had been made by the railroads that probably would be acceptable to the employees. He declined to outline these, simply saying:

"I believe that by Monday we shall reach an agreement which will avert a strike."

From other sources regarded as authoritative, it was learned, however, that three important considerations entered into the negotiations. These were:

Pressure of public opinion against the strike.

The possibility of a decision Monday.

The first thing Mr. Gompers did after arriving here tonight was to communi-

cate with Secretary Lane and inform him he was ready to go to work. The labor leader denied emphatically that he had absented himself intentionally from the conference.

"People who know me," said Mr. Gompers, "know I do not run away. It was not until 3 P. M. today that I learned the National Council of Defense, with the sanction of the President by the Supreme Court on the constitutionality of the Adamson 8-hour law.

A proposal that the railroads accept the brotherhoods' "interpretation" of the law in the event of its being upheld, Mr. Lee admitted that the possibility of a decision by the Supreme Court on Monday had been discussed as well as the interpretation to be placed upon the law by both sides to the controversy in event of its being declared constitutional.

It was learned that the question upmost for consideration tomorrow will be to determine the attitude of the brotherhoods and the railroads in the event of the Adamson law not being upheld by the Supreme Court. In quarters close to both factions it was said that a tentative agreement already had been reached and that the conference tomorrow would be held to settle the details.

Gompers to Participate Today.
Samuel Gompers is expected to participate in the conference tomorrow. He had appointed a commission of mediation in connection with the railroad strike.

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Claim Brotherhood Chiefs Had No Power For Calling Strike

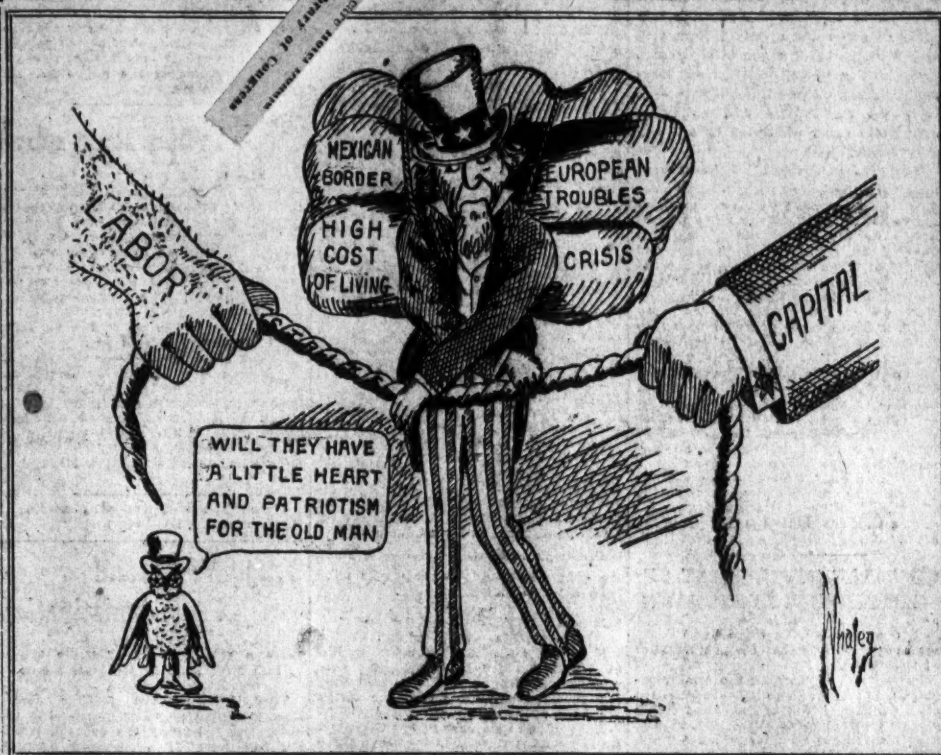
Individual Members of Four Railroad Organizations Seek Temporary Injunction—Bills in Equity Filed in U. S. District Court Allege Violations of Brotherhood Constitutions.

Philadelphia, March 17.—Bills in equity asking for an injunction against officers of the four railroad brotherhoods in Pennsylvania from putting in effect the strike order were filed in the United States District Court here today by individual members of those organizations. As none of the judges was in court at the time no date was fixed for a hearing for a preliminary injunction. The mere filing of the bills has no effect on the threatened strike.

The district court clerk's office has sent out notices of the suits to 131 local chairmen and chairmen of grievance committees in the state who appear as defendants in the suits.

The bills were filed by an engineer, a fireman, a conductor and a trainman, all evidenced by the Pennsylvania Railroad and residents of Baltimore. The principal allegation is that the authority given officers of the brotherhood by the strike ballot taken last August terminated in the enactment of the Adamson law and that the officers are now without legal power to call a strike.

The bills also allege that the chief officers of the brotherhoods violated the constitutions of their respective organizations by arbitrarily refusing to arbitrate grievances; that the brother-



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President Wilson Pleased Over Results Achieved at Conferences in New York.

COURT'S OPINION MONDAY?
Officials Speculate on Possibility That Decision on Constitutionality of Adamson Law Will Be Given Tomorrow.

Washington, March 17.—There was an increasing hope in the capital tonight that the threatened railroad strike, already postponed for 48 hours through President Wilson's mediation, would be averted altogether. The President, pleased at the day's developments, was described as being hopeful of an agreement which would relieve him of taking drastic steps to prevent the crippling of the nation's resources in the fact of an international crisis.

Mr. Wilson tonight telegraphed the representatives of the railroads and their employees in New York expressing pleasure over the agreement to postpone the threatened nation-wide strike until Monday, and earnestly urging that further conferences will draw the two

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MEXICO TO REMAIN STRICTLY NEUTRAL

This is the Declaration Issued by Foreign Office Upon Receipt of American Note

TO CO-OPERATE WITH U. S.
Will Endeavor to Prevent Any Country on This Continent From Taking Part in War—Tone of American Note Pleases.

Mexico City, March 17.—In answer to the communication of the United States to the Mexican note, which proposed that the neutral nations unite in an effort to bring about peace in Europe, or, as an alternative, place an embargo on shipments to belligerent countries, the Mexican government issued tonight through the foreign office an absolute declaration of neutrality, asserting in definite terms that it is the determination of Mexico to devote its efforts to keeping any country on this continent from taking part in the European war. The statement follows:

"In view of the answer of the United States to the note which the first chief directed to the governments of the neutral countries in favor of peace, the government of Mexico proposes to co-operate with its efforts to avoid that any of the countries of this continent take part in the European conflict and will continue its efforts with neutral countries with the object of securing European peace."

The American ambassador, Henry P. Fletcher, called at the foreign office to-

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Death of Woman is Averted by Awning

LEAPS FROM ROOF OF FOUR-STORY BUILDING IN ASHEVILLE—FALL IS BROKEN BY AWNING AND SHE MAY RECOVER

(Special Star Telegram).
Asheville, N. C., March 17.—Mrs. I. Mays, a patient at a local sanitarium, crawled through a window on the fourth story of the Langren hotel today, stepped out on the roof of an adjoining business building, walked to the corner of that building, and leaped to the street below. The woman lit on an awning and rolled from there to the street, the awning breaking her fall to such an extent that she has a chance to recover.

Mrs. Mays has been confined at a local sanitarium for several months, and Mr. Mays, here to visit her, secured permission to take his wife for a walk. He took her to the Langren, where he is a guest, and while his wife was in the ladies' parlor, she opened a window and made her rash leap. The affair caused a great deal of excitement and the injured woman was taken to a local hospital for treatment. Physicians say she has a chance of recovery. The extent of her injuries has not been definitely determined.

To Give Freedom to Jews.

London, March 16.—The Weekly Dispatch says it learns on excellent authority that the first legislative step of the new Russian government will be to secure the complete freedom of all Russian Jews.

CITY OF BAPAUME, IN FLAMES, CAPTURED BY THE BRITISH FORCES

SIGNED ABDICATION WITH LITTLE DELAY

Czar Met at Town of Pskoff by Committee From the Duma and Advised What to Do.

DIDN'T WANT TO LEAVE SON

So He Decided to Give Up the Throne in Favor of Brother—Was Advised Not to Send Any More Troops to Petrograd.

Petrograd, March 17 (via London).—The abdication of Emperor Nicholas was signed at the town of Pskoff where the train on which he was traveling toward Petrograd was halted early in the week. It is said that he had arrived on Wednesday at a point close to Petrograd and then turned back toward Pskoff, but this report has not been confirmed.

From Pskoff, according to accounts now available, the emperor communicated with members of the executive committee of the duma, who informed him they were sending emissaries to meet him there. Accordingly, a member of the duma committee and one of the ministers of the new cabinet proceeded to Pskoff and had an interview with the emperor in the presence of General Nicholas V. Ruskay, a member of the council of the empire and of the supreme military council; Baron W. Fredericks, minister of the court; Count Narishkin and others.

After relating to the emperor the latest developments in the revolution the emissaries advised him not to send any troops from the front to Petrograd, since all the troops were going over to the revolutionists as fast as they arrived.

"What is desired that I should do?" the emperor inquired.

"Abdicate the throne," was the reply.

After devoting some time to deliberations, Emperor Nicholas said: "It would be very hard to be separated from my son. Therefore I will abdicate in favor of my brother, in behalf of myself and my son, a cablegram made public here today by the Russian-American Asiatic Corporation. According to Ivan Norodny, head of the corporation, the cablegram was from their representative in Petrograd and was transmitted through the Belgian minister."

EMPEROR AND CROWN PRINCE SAID TO BE SAFE IN FINLAND.

New York, March 17.—The empress and crown prince of Russia are now safe in Finland and the emperor is at the Smetogorsky Monastery in Pskoff, according to a cablegram made public here today by the Russian-American Asiatic Corporation. According to Ivan Norodny, head of the corporation, the cablegram was from their representative in Petrograd and was transmitted through the Belgian minister.

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SUFFRAGETTES TO MAKE DIXIE DRIVE

Will Visit Home Town of Each Southern Congressman in Interest of Suffrage Bill.

DRIVE WILL BEGIN APRIL 1
Miss Maud Younger, of California, Will Lead the Expedition Which Will Travel Entirely by Automobile.

Washington, March 17.—Suffragettes will begin a Dixie drive on April 1 in a campaign designed to win support from the Southern states for the Federal suffrage amendment.

Every congressman from Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, Arkansas, Kentucky, West Virginia and Maryland may expect a visit from the suffrage crusaders if he is at home when the expedition passes that way. His home town will be invaded whether he is there or not and his constituents exhorted to urge him to vote for suffrage.

Miss Maud Younger, a woman voter of California, will lead the expedition which will be conducted under the aus-

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Governor Bickett Proclaims "Planting Day" in Carolina

In Proclamation He Asks All Mayors to Pass the Word Along, Saying the Conditions Confronting Us Appeal With Impelling Force for Planting of Grain, Grass, Peas and Potatoes.

Raleigh, N. C., March 17.—Governor Bickett issued the first proclamation of his administration today, it being a call for the people of the State, especially those in the cities and towns, to observe "Planting Day," April 5. He declares that "The conditions that now confront us appeal for activity on our part with peculiar and compelling power."

"The world war has drawn to the battle line millions of those who in times of peace go forth and sow" and China and the United States are about to swell the legions who fight and must be fed. The boll weevil is marching from the South to North Carolina and full cribs and smoke houses are sure and safe defense against the coming of this pest."

He reviews the special advantage the revision of the crop lien law is intended to have for the small farmer and the necessity for raising home supplies by all classes of farmers.

The proclamation then designates April 5 as "Planting Day" and asks all mayors to call the townspeople together that day and set on foot means of having every vacant lot in and adjacent to the town planted in "grain, grass, peas or potatoes."

All farmers' organizations are asked to meet and counsel members to heavily

Main Objective in the Somme Sector of France Reached, After Months of Fighting.

TWO TOWNS ALSO OCCUPIED

Le Transloy and Achiet-Le-Petit Taken in the Advance Against the Germans.

GAINS MADE BY FRENCH

Germans Admit Retirement Along Five-Mile Front.

After many months at hammering at the German lines in the Somme sector, the British armies at last have captured Bapaume, considered the first and perhaps the main objective in the long British advance in that sector. At the same time the towns of Le Transloy and Achiet-Le-Petit also fell to the British. General Haig's troops entered Bapaume Saturday morning, after severe fighting, and found the town in flames, the Germans having fired it.

French Made Advance.

French troops north of the Avre river and between the Avre and the Oise have thrust their way forward to a depth of about two and a half miles along a 13-mile front.

The German war office admits a retirement of the German forces along a five-mile front between Beauvaingues and Lassigny in the Oise region, as well as between Sully and St. Pierre Vaast wood, on the Somme front.

GERMAN TRENCHES ENTERED

ON FRONT OF ABOUT 16 MILES.

London, March 17.—The British troops have made another extensive advance, entering German positions on a front of about 16 miles, according to the official report from British headquarters in France tonight.

On the north the British gain reached from Bapaume to Monchy-au-bois and included the villages of Le Transloy, Achiet le Grand, Achiet le Petit, Bucquoy and others. On the south the gain included various villages from Lamaisonette (south of Peronne) to Fresnois. The statement reads:

"Bapaume has been captured by our troops after stiff fighting with the German guard. The town had been systematically pillaged by the enemy. All private houses and public buildings alike have been destroyed and everything of value carried off or burned."

"Our advance has proceeded rapidly during the day on both banks of the Somme. South of the river we have entered the enemy's positions on a front of about 16 miles and occupied the villages of Fresnois, Horgny, Villers-Carbonell, Barleux, Eterpigny and LaMailsonette."

"North of the river in addition to the town of Bapaume, we are in possession of the villages of Le Transloy, Bisvillers, Blaucourt, Achiet le Grand, Achiet le Petit, Ablainsville, Bucquoy and Esnarts."

"We also hold Quesnoy farm, 1,500 yards northeast of the last named village, and have gained the western and northwestern defenses of Monchy-au-Bois."

"We carried out successful raids this morning east and northeast of Arras. The enemy's support line was reached and two machine guns and a number of prisoners captured. A hostile raiding party was driven off during the night northeast of Vermelles."

"An encounter took place yesterday between a patrol of eight of our airplanes and 15 enemy machines with the result that in 20 minutes fighting the hostile formation was broken up. Two German airplanes were destroyed and two others driven down damaged. All our machines returned."

IMPORTANT GAINS RECORDED FOR THE FRENCH FORCES

Paris, March 17 (10 p. m.)—French advance guards have entered the important town of Roye, and the French have occupied the entire front between Andechy and the Oise, comprising powerfully fortified lines which the Germans have held for more than two years.

This announcement is made tonight in the official communication from the war office, which adds that at several points the road between Roye and Noyon has been reached.

Frankfort-on-the-Main has been bombarded by French airplanes in retaliation for the firing of Bapaume by the Germans.

The text of the statement reads: "Along the whole front between Andechy and the Oise (about 15 miles) the

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French Cabinet, Headed by the Premier, Hands in Resignation

Decides That Circumstances Growing Out of the Economic Situation Compelled Withdrawal—Ministers Had Been Repeatedly Attacked in Parliament During the Past Few Weeks.

Paris, March 18.—The French cabinet, headed by Premier Briand, has resigned. An official note given out after the cabinet meeting says:

"The council of ministers met tonight (Saturday) at Elysee palace. The premier reported on various consultations he had had with a view to completing the cabinet decided that circumstances compelled it to leave the president of the republic complete liberty to interpret the situation in the best interests of national defense. Consequently the president of the council put into the hands of the president of the republic the resignation of the cabinet."

The Briand ministry had been attacked in the French parliament repeatedly during the last few weeks on account of its economic policy. It succeeded the Viviani cabinet in October, 1915, and was reorganized last December 12, when the number of ministerial portfolios was decreased and a war council appointed. The war council included Premier Briand, M. Ribot, minister of finance; General Lyautey, minister of war; Rear Admiral Lacaze, minister of marine; and M. Thomas, minister of national manufactures.

Attacks by the opposition in parliament resulted Wednesday in the sudden resignation of General Lyautey as minister of war. The chamber of deputies held a secret session Wednesday in which the French aviation service was discussed. No specific attack was made on General Lyautey and it was explained that his resignation, which he refused to reconsider, resulted from his ignorance of parliamentary procedure. Admiral Lacaze was given the war portfolio temporarily. Premier Briand, a dispatch from Paris on Friday said, had decided to reconstruct the cabinet and the result the ministry was expected to be approved by President Poincaré Saturday night.

Armand Briand was premier during most of 1909, 1910 and 1911 and again for two months in 1913.

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(Continued From Page One) sides closer together. The President's message follows:

The President's Message
"I am exceedingly glad that the conference has been re-opened, and that the prospect of a settlement looks brighter."

"I hope most earnestly for the sake of all concerned and most of all for the sake of the nation, that the two parties will continue to draw closer together and that a little further conference will lead to the result the entire country hopes for and expects."

The President sent his new appeal after he had received word from Secretary Lane that the negotiations would be continued. Mr. Lane did not go into details but held out hopes for a satisfactory settlement.

Whether the Supreme court, on whose course future moves in the controversy may hinge, will deliver an opinion Monday on the Adamson law remained a subject purely speculative. Before the present situation arose there were indications that a decision might be eminent, but the court's intentions never are authoritatively forecast.

Wilson Awaits Further Developments
Although the President kept in close touch during the day and tonight with his mediators in New York, he took no active part in the negotiations and it was said at the White House that no further move on his part was contemplated until the New York conferences were concluded. He is understood to feel that in applying to the patriotism of both sides toward offering mediation he has done all that is possible for the present.

Attorney General Gregory kept in close touch with developments during the day, because of precautions to be taken to safeguard such railroads as are under Federal receivership.

Might Use Government Force.
Considerable attention is being given to precedents establishing what action the President could take to prevent a general paralysis of transportation, and the impression prevails that should a tie-up actually be threatened, Mr. Wilson would find some way to bring the force of the Federal government to bear to relieve it.

Steps discussed tonight as possible in case of a strike included the calling out of the National Guard to protect trains carrying mail, and food supplies. Whether it would be possible to seek receivership of the roads to enable the government to control and operate them also was under consideration. Officials emphasized, however, that any decision on these suggestions must be postponed until the result of the New York conferences is known.

Speculate on Court's Decision
Speculation among officials tonight revealed an opinion about evenly divided on the possibilities of a decision from the Supreme court Monday on the Adamson law. Some close observers of Supreme court procedure believe the well-known deep conviction of some of the justices that the nation's greatest tribunal never should be put in the attitude of appearing to act under any sort of duress, might operate to withhold a decision Monday even if one had been prepared for announcement.

In other quarters it is felt that because of this same sentiment, no decision that had been made ready had been withheld for any reason whatever beyond whatever the court deemed a proper time.

All officials realize that these conflicting expectations are purely speculative.

Today the justices held their usual Saturday conferences to prepare opinions. They separated a few minutes before word came from New York that a postponement of the strike had been agreed to.

NEW PASSENGER STATION TO BE BUILT SOON AT BURGAW

Material is Being Placed—Two Stories in Pender Burned.
Burgaw, N. C., March 15.—Material is being placed by the railroad company preparatory to beginning the construction of a new ticket office and waiting rooms, work on which is expected to begin within a few days. According to the plans, when the building is completed, Burgaw will have a modern and well equipped ticket and express office and waiting rooms for passengers.

Mr. N. H. Rowe, who has the misfortune to lose his store, located at Smith's bridge, by fire last Friday night. While he had some insurance, his loss probably exceeded his insurance, as there were several other buildings burned in addition to the store. The store of Mr. J. W. Blake, across the road from Mr. Rowe's, was also burned.

Senator J. H. Burnett returned home from Troy Wednesday. He went there from Raleigh upon adjournment of the Legislature. His wife and baby accompanied him.

Large lots and five acre tracts at Highwood Friday—(adv.)

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Promise to Co-Operate in Keeping Valuable Information From Enemy.
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Immediately following the announcement this afternoon that the strike had been postponed, the brotherhood chiefs denied themselves to every one, saying they would have no statements to make and that any information concerning the negotiations would have to come from Secretary Lane. Later, however, Warren S. Stone, head of the engineers, said:

Yielded to Mediators' Request.
"The situation is unchanged. As reasonable men we did not wish to fly into the face of the President's advisers, and when they requested a postponement of the strike for 48 hours we made the concession to enable them to work out their plans. Unless something intervenes, the situation will be the same Monday night as it would have been at 7 o'clock tonight."

After the statement several hours later by Mr. Lee an effort was made to see Secretary Lane but it was said he had retired for the night and did not wish to be disturbed. When the conference ended today he announced that he had no statement to make and would have none before tomorrow.

BROTHERHOOD OFFICIAL SAYS THERE WILL BE NO STRIKE

New York, March 17.—An official of the railroad brotherhoods who would not permit the use of his name made the flat declaration tonight that there would be no strike and that the brotherhoods had won a complete victory.

ABOUT 200 MEN QUIT, FAILING TO RECEIVE RESIGNING ORDER

Parkersburg, W. Va., March 17.—Claiming that no order rescinding the strike order which had been issued some days ago and to go into effect tonight at 7 o'clock had been received, members of the four brotherhoods of trainmen in the Monongahela and Ohio river division yards of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad quit work tonight. It is estimated that more than 200 men are out.

NICKEL PLATE EMPLOYEES OBEY ORIGINAL INSTRUCTIONS

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 17.—Receiving no official notification of the 48 hour postponement of the railroad strike, nickel plate members employed on the Nickel Plate have obeyed the original instructions and struck at 6 o'clock this evening.

800 E. & O. EMPLOYEES AT NEWARK FAIL TO GO TO WORK

Newark, N. J., March 17.—Eight hundred engineers, firemen, trainmen and freight train conductors, employed by the Baltimore & Ohio road here, struck at 6 o'clock, claiming they had received no word of the strike being postponed. At 7 o'clock the engineers returned to work on receipt of official word from the chief of the engineers' brotherhood. Baltimore & Ohio officials said the strike will have no effect on train service.

ORDERS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN DELAYED IN TRANSIT

Connellsville, Pa., March 17.—More than 800 members of the four railroad brotherhoods, employees of the Baltimore & Ohio and the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroads, quit work here at 7 o'clock tonight, no order having been received announcing a postponement of the general railroad strike. No trains are being operated out of this city and equipment is being returned to the round houses and shops. It is believed

ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Qualified Voters of the First Ward:
Gentlemen—I am a candidate for Councilman from the First Ward, subject to the will of the qualified voters of this ward, in the Primary to be held on April 17th, 1917.

Secondly, to the Qualified Voters of the City of Wilmington for your approval on May 1st, 1917.

I am an American citizen; take this from me. I do not approve of discriminatory methods against any man of moral character, regardless of his nationality, religious or political views as guaranteed by the Constitution of America. My word is my bond. If you are interested in your city, let's all pull together. United we stand, divided we fall.

Thanking you in advance for your support,
W. A. SUE,
First Ward.

MURGUIA REPORTED TO HAVE LOST 1,200 MEN

Were Killed, Wounded or Missing in Battle of Rosario

Six Cannon, Fifteen Machine Guns and Quantities of Stores and Ammunition Seized by Rebels, According to Refugees.

El Paso, Texas, March 17.—General Murguia lost approximately 1,200 men in killed, wounded and missing at the battle of Rosario, according to a foreign refugee who arrived from Chihuahua City tonight. Murguia also lost six cannon, 15 machine guns and large quantities of stores and ammunition, according to this man.

The refugees also reported that when Villa entered Parral Tuesday he ordered two Germans and seven Syrians executed on charges of aiding government troops. He confirmed the capture of Jimenez.

The Carranza troops, according to this account, were led by a subordinate in the absence of General Murguia, who was in Chihuahua City. They came into contact with Villa's main band at Stallforth, about ten miles north of Rosario, last Saturday.

Villa pretended defeat and retreated to Rosario. The government troops followed and encamped that night a few miles above the town when Sunday morning they were caught off their guard by a surprise attack.

The men on foot were practically all killed, wounded or captured. The cavalry, however, managed to escape. It was said the entire number of survivors did not exceed 500 out of the 2,000 engaged. They worked their way north from the Durango border on the railway to Parral, followed the line on its eastward turn to Jimenez, then northward on the Mexican Central. Villa followed at least as far as Jimenez.

the orders to postpone the strike have been held up in transit here.

SEVERAL HUNDRED MEN LEAVE POSTS AT EAST ST. LOUIS.

East St. Louis, Ill., March 17.—Several hundred railway employees here walked out tonight, claiming that they had received no notice that the strike had been postponed.

None of the employees of the Terminal Railway Association, however, walked out and early reports were that the movement was confined to employees of the Big Four and the Baltimore & Ohio.

HOLLWEG CONFERS WITH THE EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA-HUNGARY

London, March 17.—Dispatches from Vienna, according to the Exchange Telegraph Company's correspondent at The Hague, say that von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German chancellor, was received this morning by the Austrian emperor and empress at the Laxenburg castle, near Vienna. The Chancellor had a long conference with Emperor Charles, jointly with Count Czernin, Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, chiefly with reference to the Russian situation.

PERUNA in Your Home

A housewife must give the first aid in colds, coughs and other ailments. Her promptness in applying the remedy often saves a serious illness. Her experience with remedies has led her to know that PERUNA is always reliable, that she should have it on hand for the immediate treatment of coughs and colds, and that it is always to her.

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Negro Is Fatally Wounded by Posse

WAS BEING HUNTED FOR SHOOTING EDGAR WILLIAMS, WELL KNOWN WHITE MAN NEAR WINGATE, N. C., WHO MAY DIE

Monroe, N. C., March 17.—In a battle with a posse near Wingate, six miles east of here, this afternoon, Bunk Maske, a negro, was wounded eight times before he was taken. He died tonight. The negro had fled after twice shooting and probably fatally wounding Edgar Williams, a well known citizen of that community. Williams was taken to a Charlotte hospital tonight. The negro fired a dozen shots at the posse, but none of them took effect. A brother of the negro was jailed here tonight to avoid further trouble. At the time he was shot Williams was acting as special officer and was attempting to arrest the negro for assaulting his wife.

SUFFRAGETTES TO MAKE DIXIE DRIVE

(Continued From Page One) pieces of the National Woman's Party. Five other women voters from Western states will accompany Miss Younger and they will travel entirely by automobile. Frederickburg, Va., will be the first stop, according to present plans, although the itinerary has not been completed. The suffragettes intend to visit each state capital.

The trip will be concluded on June 3rd if plans are carried out.

Nelson Knocks Out Matthews.

St. Louis, March 17.—Battling Nelson, former lightweight champion, tonight knocked out Pierre Matthews, St. Louis lightweight, in the eighth round. This was the first fight in which Battling Nelson has taken part since November, 1915.

Large lots and five acre tracts at Highwood Friday—(adv.)

Dragging Around From Constipation

Take a Wineglassful of Tollo Water and Feel Fine in Half an Hour.

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Tollo Water gives quick and gentle relief—a third of a tumbler in a glass of plain water before breakfast will clear out the decayed waste in the stomach and bowels in thirty minutes and make you feel fine for the rest of the day. An occasional glass before breakfast will keep the bowels regular and the liver active. You will not be troubled with foul breath and pimply, blotchy skin if you will keep the system clean.

Get a 15-cent bottle from any drug store, start taking it in the morning and take it regularly for a few days until the system has been thoroughly cleaned. After that an occasional wineglassful will keep your bowels regular, your skin clear and your liver working fine. Sold by D. A. Livingston.

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IN THE REALM OF SPORTS

ORIOLES WILL ARRIVE ON TUESDAY MORNING

To Begin Their Annual
Training Here.

Are Expected on the 9:50 Train From
the North and Will at Once
Begin to Round Into
Shape.

It was announced yesterday that the Baltimore baseball team of the International League, who are to train at Wilmington, will arrive on the 9:50 train from the North Tuesday morning. They originally intended to come tomorrow but the management found it necessary to delay the start for the training camp for 24 hours.

With arrival of the Orioles the baseball lid will be pried off for the season of 1917 and from now until September the stars of the diamond will replace the Kaiser and Zimmermann and numerous others in the public limelight, hereabouts. The sport page of the newspapers will once more attain first place in the minds of a great part of the reading public and those articles that appear on the front page will run the risk of being overlooked by those who make a daily perusal of the columns.

It is highly probable that Wilmington will have a chance to see another International League outfit in action, as the Rochester team has made arrangements to train at Raleigh and are expected to arrive in the capital city on March 25. While it may be that the Rochester team will not desire any set-toes with teams of their own league before the opening of the season, they may appear here in an exhibition game with some of the numerous big league outfits that expect to stop over.

Of course, the big noise of the local season will be heard when the Yankees and Braves cross bats on April 4. Reports from the training camps of the rival teams are to the effect that both are rounding into shape as rapidly as is consistent with their plans for battle, and will be in little short of mid-season form when they meet at Sunset Park. The return of the brilliant but erratic Caldwell to the ranks of the Gothamites has added new strength. Tiple's signed contract has been received and this makes the team intact, and ready for the opening of the season as far as players are concerned. Caldwell, Shawkey and Fischer are all showing form in these early days, and Manager Donovan is expecting great things from this trio once the season opens. With military training being given in the training camps, General Donovan expects the Yankees to march straight to the pennant without once hearing the retreat.

Reports from the Braves' camp at Miami are even more encouraging. Johnny Evers is said to be in finer trim than he has in a number of years, and that is saying a lot for the Trojan. Sherwood Magee, too, is feeling fresher than in several seasons and is seriously contemplating annexing the batting championship of the older organization.

The only setback that the Braves have received is in the handicap rendered through the death of Shortstop Maraville's wife. The Rabbit is said to be greatly shocked by her death and that it will be months before he will be able to concentrate his mind on the game. He will join his team within the next two weeks.

In the meantime the local city leaguers are getting ready to benefit from the experience they will get by practicing with the Orioles and are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the Baltimoreans.

STATE COLLEGE BASEBALL SEASON OPENS TOMORROW

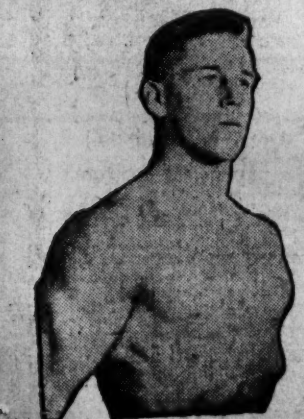
West Hialeah, N. C., March 17.—North Carolina State College baseball season will open Monday, March 19, at Raleigh, Ettingham School of Mebane will furnish the opposition.

Coach Hartsell is of the opinion that the Techs will win this game, and this will give him an opportunity to give a number of candidates a chance to demonstrate their ability.

W. H. Hodgins, who has played second base for the past three years, is captain of the team. The probable line-up as announced by the coach is as follows: Hodgins, second base; Lewis, catcher; Paul Johnson, first base; Wheeler, short stop; Wharton, third base; "Red" Johnson, right field; Thrash, center field; Park or Castille, left field; Weathers, Hines and Walker, pitchers.

One fine lot given away FREE at Highwood Friday.—(adv.)

COMES TO TACKLE FRITZ



Pink Gardner, the Sensational Charlotte Wrestler, Who Will Undertake to Make It Two Straight Over Hanson at Woolwin Hall Wednesday Night.

GREAT MATCH IS EXPECTED

Cleverest of Middleweights Will Be
Seen in Action When Gardner
and Hanson Clash.

Fritz Hanson yesterday received a telegram confirming his match with Pink Gardner, the Charlotte crack, next Wednesday night. Reports from the Charlotte man's camp are to the effect that he is overlooking no opportunity that will aid him in winning from the local crack when they face each other in Woolwin hall next Wednesday.

Hanson realizes that the fight he has on his hands now is far different from the ones he ordinarily tackles. The Swede tried the trick of butting into Pink without properly training himself for the battle, and paid for it with a defeat.

They met once since that time in Columbia and Fritz won the decision by default, Gardner quitting the ring after the second fall had lasted two hours without either man taking a tumble. This kind of a victory is not to Fritz's liking, however, and he is working hard and steadily with the view of introducing a pair of husky shoulders attached to one Pink Gardner, firmly and surely against the mat twice during the course of the evening.

While the two have met before, they have yet to tackle each other when both are in the pink of condition, and that is what will happen when they meet Wednesday night. There is a world of doubt as to the outcome of the match, for both are strong, fast, clever and game. They are about the same in weight, and Hanson will have the edge on his rival in point of strength, although Pink will have the best of it in regards to the age limit. The latter, however, will count for but little.

With both men in top form, a close survey of their past performances would indicate that Fritz will be returned the winner after a hard battle. With the Swede in shape it is improbable that Pink can repeat the trick he pulled here some time ago.

WHITEVILLE BEATS CHADBOURN IN EXCITING BASEBALL GAME

Whiteville, N. C., March 17.—In a game marked by few errors and hard and fast playing by both sides, Whiteville defeated Chadbourn on the Chadbourn grounds after the game had to all appearances been conceded to the latter. Whiteville scored a lone run on a single in the second inning and Chadbourn promptly retaliated with three runners over the plate in the third, and holding off the visitors until the opening of the seventh inning when a spurt of energy brought the visitor two runs, followed by one in the eighth and three in the ninth. Score, Whiteville 7; Chadbourn 3. Batteries, for Whiteville, Schülken and Thompson; for Chadbourn, Spivey and Thompson. Umpire, Mr. Lyon.

The playing of the Chadbourn team was a surprise, particularly in the case of the infield. Many members of the team were making their debut and played like veterans. Whiteville also had several novices in the game. Two games will probably be staged on the home grounds next week. Clarkston has been challenged for a game Wednesday night. Chadbourn is expected to play a return game Friday.

THIS SPEAKER STARTS ATTACK, SHUTTING OUT NEW-ORLEANS

New York, La., March 17.—Tris Speaker, of the Cleveland Americans, here, started the attack in this afternoon's game which resulted in a 7 to 0 victory with the New Orleans Southern Association team.

COLLEGE BASEBALL.

At Chapel Hill: North Carolina University—Oak Ridge, rain.

A TIP FOR NEW OWNERS.

Automobilists Should Go First to the Battery Service Station.

The first thing that the owner of a new automobile should do is to go to the Battery Service Station and let the battery expert test his battery, according to Mr. DeRonde, the local Willard expert. He gives the following reasons for this:

"The battery really commences to wear the instant that it is assembled. As long as the plates are in contact with the electrolyte, the battery is slowly discharging itself.

"If, therefore, an automobile is a long time in transit from the manufacturer to the dealer and then is long time in the hands of the dealer, it is entirely possible that the battery may have become considerably discharged. This slow discharge is perfectly natural. Before the car owner puts it to hard usage, he should have it fully charged. If this is once done, the generator should keep it in that condition.

"It is to prevent the motorist starting out with a half charged battery when he expects a fully charged one that we advise all new car owners to have their batteries tested immediately.

"This step is really more than just seeing that the motorist gets the full value for the money spent on his machine. It is really the first step in assuring him a long and useful life of service from his battery, for if the battery starts its life fully charged and then is closely watched by the owner during the first three months of its life, the odds are a thousand to one that it will give little trouble. If, on the other hand, it goes into commission half charged, this condition gets worse and worse until finally the battery is thoroughly starved and the owner thoroughly disgruntled. This starved condition is particularly bad, for no amount of charging at the service station will put the battery back in the excellent condition in which it was at the start."

St. Louis Regulars Win.

San Antonio, Texas, March 17.—Excellent pitching gave the St. Louis National League regulars a victory over San Antonio, of the Texas League, today 7 to 2.

One fine lot given away FREE at Highwood Friday.—(adv.)

Beau Brummel of Majors



Catcher Hank Gowdy of the Boston Braves.

When the Braves cleaned up the Athletics in four straight games in the world's series in 1914, the biggest individual star of that series was Hank Gowdy, whose batting average was something over 500 per cent. for the series, which was the largest ever made by a regular player in a world's series stretch of games. Gowdy's work with the stick in those games earned for him the appellation of "Hammering Hank Gowdy," which has clung to him to this day. Gowdy has a vicious swing to his bat and had the trick of meeting the ball squarely on the nose. Gowdy's value to the Braves, however, as will be seen when the Braves and Yankees play their exhibition at Wilmington on Wednesday afternoon, April 4th, is by no means confined to his hitting propensities. He is today and has been for the last three years, the Braves' first string catcher, and while there may be more graceful backstops than Hammering Hank, there is none possessing a better throwing arm. It is a fact that two years ago he went through the season without making a bad throw to any of the bases. Gowdy likes nothing better than to catch base runners napping off first and third base, and many an opponent has been the victim of his unerring pegging. Gowdy is the Beau Brummel of the Braves and is known along the circuit as one of the fashionable players of the game.

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Changes Are Made In Football Rules

CORRECTIONS AND ADDITIONS
ADOPTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE AT ANNUAL SESSION IN NEW YORK CITY

New York, March 17.—New regulations to curb the carrying of instructions from the side lines and the elimination of the field goal from a multiple kick formation are the outstanding features of the new rules adopted by the football rules committee for the 1917 season.

The committee at its annual session, which closed here today, instructed the secretary to prepare corrections and additions to the code to cover the following changes:

A substitute player entering the game must not speak to any player on the field until after the ball has been put into play; in case any change in the positions of the players is necessary, the incoming substitute must give information through the referee. The penalty for a violation of this rule is the loss of 15 yards. Considerable leeway has been given the referee in the matter of inflicting penalties for the failure of a substitute to report to the game officials before entering the play.

A goal from the field can only be scored by a place kick or a drop kick and the fact was emphasized that a place kick was made with the ball resting upon the ground, which would appear to bar the use of the multiple kick formation in which the ball is held suspended a few inches above the ground when kicked. The use of artificial feet for a kick-off at the beginning of periods also was barred.

Other changes include the giving of the ball to the offended side where there is illegal interference with the player receiving in a forward pass at the point where the foul is committed, in case the foul is committed behind the goal line, the ball goes to the offended team on the one yard line. A penalty of five yards will be imposed in the future for running into the kicker, and 15 yards and disqualification for roughing; the penalties to be imposed from the point where the ball was put into play.

The referee is also empowered to permit the substitution of a new play in play of a wet field at the end of the second period at his discretion.

White Sox Win.

Fort Worth, Texas, March 17.—Russell's wildness gave the Fort Worth, Texas League, team four runs in the first inning today but the Chicago American regulars caught up in the next and won 10 to 4.

Detroit Defeats Waco.

Waco, Texas, March 17.—Detroit American League regulars punched hits in the 10th inning today and defeated Waco, of the Texas League, 4 to 2.

Middletown Fought Hard.

Galveston, Tex., March 17.—Galveston Texas League, players pounded Middletown, a New York National League pitcher, for 17 hits today but the Giants profited by the misplays of the local team and won 12 to 7.

The A. David Company announces showing of new spring styles in their advertisement today. They have a limited number of Hart Schaffner & Marx style books that they will be glad to distribute to those interested in the new modes.

Storm Warnings Ordered Up.

Washington, March 17.—The weather bureau has ordered storm warnings displayed on the Atlantic Coast from Norfolk to Eastport, Maine.

Large lots and five acre tracts at Highwood Friday.—(adv.)

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The Store Up-to-Date

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A Successful Introduction

On Tuesday and Wednesday of last week we introduced our Spring stock of merchandise to the Wilmington public. That it was successful was manifested by the busy days that followed.

With Easter exactly three weeks off, many women will take advantage of the wide assortments of desirable and seasonable merchandise shown here to buy their Easter or Spring outfit.

New Draperies

Spring is a season that is bright and beautiful on the outside of the home.

Why not make it just as pretty on the inside by the artistic use of attractive draperies and curtain materials?

The colorings and designs shown here are new and very attractive.

Cretonne and Art Draperies at 15c to 75c a yard.

Curtain Nets, 40 inches wide, 25c and 35c a yard.

White and Eeru Scrim, 38 inches wide, 15c to 35c a yard.

Printzess Coats and Suits

We are exclusive agents for the celebrated Printzess suits and coats that are popular in every section of the country, because of their superior tailoring and excellent lines, as well as the conservative models that are always featured in this popular make.

Printzess suits are priced at \$30 to \$45.00
Printzess coats sell for...\$17.50 to \$39.50

New Elevator in Rear of Store Now Running



Taffeta Silks are Considered Smart for Dresses, Skirts and Suits

Taffeta silk is featured in our Silk department. The line covers the desirable Spring shades as well as many handsome designs. Our prices, as you will find, are moderate. Come in this week and select your Easter dress of this, Fashion's most-wanted Spring material.

Plain Taffeta, in black, white and all colors, 36 inches wide, priced at \$1.19, \$1.25 to \$2.00 yard.

Taffeta Silks in plaids and stripes, 36 inches wide, priced at \$1.75 and \$2.00 on up to \$4.50.

Gros de Londre, a silk similar to Taffeta, with a tiny cord, 36 inches wide, in ten Spring colors, priced at \$1.75 a yard.

Other Silks that are selling freely and which are considered especially good this season are Crepe de Chine, Shantung, Sport Shantung, Sport Crepes and Crepe Meteors.

New Dresses Arriving Daily

Dresses are very much in demand this season. The styles we are showing have brought forth much favorable criticism and the buying has been on a large scale. We want you to see the assortment and judge for yourself. Materials include taffeta, georgette crepe, crepe de chine, crepe meteor, shantung, sport crepes and others. The colors are bright and attractive, although we have others that are more conservative. Prices range from...\$12.50 to \$59.50.

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THERE STILL REMAINS CONFUSION OF TONGUES

Is One of Problems British Have
to Combat in Basrah.

In This Mesopotamian Town One Experiences the Same Difficulties Experienced by Builders of the Tower of Babel.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.)

Basrah, Mesopotamia, March 1.—The difficulties which the ancient builders of the Tower of Babel experienced with the language difficulty may be easily understood by anyone who has spent a little time in Basrah. Not the least of the many problems presented for solution to the British authorities in their operations against the Turks has been this same problem which the contractors for the old Tower wrestled with many centuries ago.

The dialects in common use at Basrah are said to be over forty in number. The most popular is Arabic, but it is not the Arabic of Egypt or Morocco, it is a distinct tongue, with which the Egyptian or Moroccan experiences the greatest difficulty. Then there is Persian, with variations known as Bagdad-Persian, Nejd-Persian and Basrah-Persian. Turkish is frequently heard, while Armenian and Chaldean are the languages of the native Christian population. Kurdish is used by another section of the inhabitants, while Hindu-Urdu is the language of the Indian troops forming part of the British forces.

It is obvious that in such a situation hundreds of interpreters are needed. A small squad of them is attached to every officer. Some of them were obtained in Egypt, some from India, others from Aden, and the remainder were recruited locally. Those from India have in most cases acquired their knowledge of Arabic and Persian from classical works, with the result that their high-flown, archaic conversation sounds amusing when applied to everyday affairs.

The interpreters drawn from Basrah are undoubtedly the most generally useful, although not always satisfactorily trustworthy. Most of them are natives of Iraq and familiar with numerous

local dialects too numerous to even have a name. These native interpreters, too, are less susceptible to the weather than men from outside, and therefore the proportion of their time spent in illness or semi-illness is small. But the native Mesopotamian has many of the failings of the American negro. He is inclined to prolonged spells of laziness; when he has earned a few shillings, he is disinclined to continue his labors; at times he is overcome with a longing for the delights of his own fireside, and at such times he simply drops tools and goes home. The fact that he has contracted to give his services for a fixed period he regards as quite unimportant. Such an event as the date-picking season, is as irresistible an attraction for him as the odor of cooking chicken or cat-fish for the Mississippi negro.

The pay of the interpreter varies according to his ability and reliability, but the appointment is always a lucrative one. A first-class native can earn as much as \$75 a month, which is a fair sized fortune to the native in Mesopotamia.

The cream of the interpreters are attached to general headquarters, slightly less valuable men get jobs at corps or divisional headquarters, while the rank and file are distributed along the lines of communication.

Many of the native interpreters brought from Egypt are fairly well educated and highly qualified men. In some cases they have had a college education on Western lines, and many of them have traveled widely.



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STOCK FARM ALL-YEAR ENTERPRISE IN SOUTH

This Was The Way Northern Millionaire Thought About It.

Advertising and Development Agent of Coast Line Cities Interesting Facts Indicating Importance of Livestock Show.

"I am happy to own a plant that need never close down" was the comment of a Northern millionaire to Mr. Allen Maull, general advertising and development agent of the Atlantic Coast Line.

"Comment from such a source means much to Eastern North Carolina," Mr. Maull declared last night, "and is of special significance to those who are intending to be present at the Livestock Exposition and Conference at Wilmington, March 28th and 29th. Doubtless these landowners who will be here upon those days regard their holdings as did the millionaire from the North, that when financial stringency or other causes rendered it necessary for manufacturing enterprises to suspend operations, his land could never be harmed or his operations disturbed by economic distress."

"The fact that Eastern North Carolina agriculture and livestock raising go right along all the year round, and year after year," Mr. Maull continued, "adds greatly to the profit earning capacity of the money invested in them which attracted this man, as when this fact is made known throughout the country, will attract thousands of others."

"Eastern North Carolina is in a state of transition from the open range, where the ticky, under-fed and under-bred cattle roamed the land at will, to the fenced and tick-cleared areas, with pure-bred, well cared for cattle."

"Mr. D. N. Edwards, of Wilkes county, recently declared that beef production under frontier conditions on free ranges is ended and the Nation's meat supply must be produced on the farms of the country."

"North Carolina with her twenty-two million idles acres is ready for this new area, and can easily take first place in the production of beef, milk and butter. Soils and seasons offer exceptional conditions, mild winters, well watered grazing areas, permanent pastures, winter cover crops, feed and forage in all abundance—all actually or possible with proper skill and attention."

"Eastern North Carolina needs beef steers, more and better breeds of dairy cows and riddance of the cattle tick. Without the actual and permanent elimination of this pest, our cattle industry can never develop in keeping with the splendid advantages I have just mentioned."

"We need cash livestock markets within reach of the farmers, which will lure the farmers into livestock raising and reward them, better than anything else. Our beef supply will be locally raised when farmers have an assured profit in the business, and not before."

"At present we have only 31 cattle of all sorts per 1,000 acres. Forty-five counties have only 20 or less; six counties have fewer than 10 such. We could easily have 75 per 1,000 acres, at least 61, the average of the country-at-large. But the change will come slowly. Successful livestock farming is bred into a people only by generations of education and experience."

"Farmers are discovering that livestock farming turns in comfortable profits every month in the year, and they will further discover that Eastern North Carolina is one of the most promising areas in the country for this industry."

"It is my personal opinion that money now invested in livestock raising in Eastern North Carolina, will, under proper safeguards, earn big dividends."

"Eastern North Carolina farmers sell their livestock at prices fixed by producing costs in other and less-favored sections. Their profits are accordingly greater than can be made elsewhere."

"The Nation's need for more meat can only be met by an increased production in this section. To my mind there is no safer investment than cattle—nothing more profitable, and nothing with a better future. Cattle and hog raising in Eastern North Carolina must be the foundation of the all-year-round prosperity of the State of North Carolina."

HIGHWOOD PARK LAND SALE.

Large Lots Will Be Offered for Sale at Public Auction Next Friday.

Much interest is being manifested locally by real estate men in the sale of Highwood Park, which will be conducted by the United Realty Company on next Friday at 10:30 A. M. Heretofore it has been the rule when selling property of this kind, surrounding Highwood Park and beyond, to cut the property into small lots. While Highwood Park was divided into small lots some time ago, the United Realty Company announces that it will proceed to sell the property in large lots and acreage tracts.

This is a feature of the sale which will interest prospective purchasers, for the reason they feel that when a man goes outside the city limits, he should have a large area surrounding his home, so that the ground can be utilized for vegetables, chickens and other necessary articles of food, which he cannot raise on a lot 50 by 150 feet in size, which is the usual standard for suburban property.

The property is located on the Shell road and the prices are directly in line with a five cent fare to the city and is one mile from the city limits. The Highwood Company has given the United Realty Company authority to sell each acre in the tract to the highest bidder.

THE HIGH SCHOOL WON

Defeated Business Boys By One Sided Score Last Night.

Wilmington High School won a one-sided basketball game from the Business Boys of the Y. M. C. A. last night by a score of 39 to 12. Rourke, the high school captain, with his 11 goals was the individual star of the game. Brittain and Cavanaugh looked best for the team. The Business Boys scored but one goal in the second half.

Following is the line-up: High School—Penton and Green, forward; Rourke, center; King, Saunders and Turrentine, guards. Business Boys—Jewell and Gora, forwards; Snakenburg, center; Brittain and Cavanaugh, guards. Goals—Green 4, Rourke 11, King 3, Jewell 5, Brittain 1. Foul goals—Rourke 3.

CELEBRATION BEGINS TODAY

Congregation of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Will Observe 25th Anniversary of Organization.

The celebration of the 25th anniversary of the organization of the congregation of St. Matthew's Lutheran church will be begun in the church at 11 o'clock this morning and will continue through Wednesday. Services this morning will be conducted by Rev. Dr. J. C. Seegers, of the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Columbia, S. C.

The congregation of St. Paul's Lutheran church will join with the St. Matthew's congregation in the evening services tonight, and Rev. F. B. Clausen, pastor of St. Paul's, will extend greetings of his church. Dr. Seegers will preach at the night service.

At the Sunday school hour, which will be observed at the usual time, reports and greetings from the various church organizations will be received, and an address will be made by Mr. C. W. Polvogt.

The musical numbers will be a feature of each of the services. The committees which have been in charge of the affair have done their work in a splendid manner, and all indications are that the celebration will be a tremendous success.

Another feature of the celebration will be the reception on Tuesday evening to the congregation and to the friends of the church and its various organizations. On Wednesday afternoon will be held the regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society at 3:30 o'clock, and the Lenten and Luther League services at 8 o'clock. At the latter meeting "The Suffering and the Death of Christ" will be the topic for discussion.

Following are the committees in charge of the arrangements: Church Council—Mr. G. F. Seitter, chairman; Messrs. William Otersen, W. T. Koch, E. C. Hopkins, James Bowden.

Ladies' Aid Society—Mrs. Fred Seitter, chairman; Mrs. E. A. Shands, Mrs. H. W. Koenig, Mrs. William Schutt, Mrs. Lena Avant.

Woman's Missionary Society—Mrs. A. J. Miller, chairman; Mesdames Ellen Kure, W. F. Koch, J. T. Cowan.

Brotherhood—Mr. M. C. Rivenbark, chairman; Messrs. W. A. Shands, P. O. Schmidt, John E. Rich, James Bowden.

Luther League—Miss Emma Otersen, chairman; Miss Marie Keels, Archie Keels, Fred Seitter, Jr., W. Otersen.

BOYS ENJOY TRIP THROUGH MILL AND OVERNIGHT HIKE.

Youngsters Were Greatly Interested in Process of Cotton Manufacture.

Thirteen boys enjoyed an educational tour to the Delgado Cotton Mills Friday afternoon. The tour was conducted by Mr. C. Walton Johnson, boys' work secretary. Mr. T. R. Ames, superintendent of the Delgado mills, took the party through all parts of the mill, showing the boys the different processes through which the cotton goes from the raw state in the bale to the finished cloth. The machinery in the mill was interesting but the boys perhaps enjoyed watching the cotton through the different stages as it was made into cloth.

The boys wish to express to Mr. Ames their thanks for his kindness in taking them through the mills and explaining the process of cotton manufacture. After going through the mill the boys went for an overnight camping trip down the river. This was pronounced by the boys one of the most delightful camping trips they have ever had. They enjoyed a good supper around a good camp fire and then were told several thrilling stories by Mr. Johnson.

The following boys went through the mill: Victor Zeiler, Fred Hull, Robert Sloan, Guy Zigford, Wilbur Davis, Duval Williams, Frank McLaughlin, Biggs Holden, Edward Koonce, Clifford Cooper, Lawrence Schuster, Clark Huggins and Seager Payne.

The boys going on the overnight camping trip were Fred Hull, Guy Zigford, Biggs Holden, Edward Koonce, Clifford Cooper, Clark Huggins, Winfield Morris.

SPECIAL SERVICES THIS WEEK.

Will Be Conducted by Bishop Darst and New Rector, Rev. Mr. Gwathmey.

There will be a special service at St. Paul's Episcopal church, 16th and Market street, on next Friday night at 8 o'clock. These services will be conducted by Bishop Darst, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Gwathmey, the new rector of St. Paul's, and the entire congregation and the public generally are cordially invited to attend.

It is earnestly requested that all members of the congregation make a special effort to be present and bring as many of their friends, who are not members, as they can, as it is especially desired to have a large attendance at this service in order that all may meet the new rector.

Will Discuss Plans for Having a "Dress-Up" Week.

All Retail Dealers in Men's and Women's Wearing Apparel Are Invited.

Plans for having a "Dress-Up" week from March 31st to April 7th will be discussed at a meeting of the retail dealers in wearing apparel and haberdashery, which has been called by the Retail Merchants' Association to be held Monday night at 8 o'clock in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce. Invitations have been sent out to the merchants and all those interested in the movement are urged to be on hand.

The co-operative movement for having a week in which dealers in dry-goods will make a special effort to display their goods and to quote attractive prices is directly in line with the co-operative "Fashion Show," which was held with such success during the past week.

DEMONSTRATION TOMORROW

Aerial Fire Truck Will Be Put Through An Exhibition.

The public demonstration of the new aerial fire truck recently purchased for the local fire department will be held on Market street between Front and Second, Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. It is understood that an expert from Elmira, N. Y., where the truck was purchased will be in the city tomorrow and will assist the local department in the demonstration.

The firemen have been practicing diligently with the new machine since it was installed a few days ago and have practically mastered its intricacies. A committee from the Charlotte Board of Aldermen will also probably be in the city tomorrow for the purpose of inspecting the new truck with a view to securing one for their city.

GOLDSBORO IS CHOSEN

AS DISBANDING POINT

Second Regiment to Be Mustered Out in Wayne Capital.

Wilmington Made Offer But Was Rejected Too Late—Captains Metts Notified of Decision Last Night.

The Second regiment of the North Carolina National Guard will be mustered out at Goldsboro, according to a telegram received last night by Capt. E. A. Metts from Col. George L. Peterson, acting adjutant-general. The Wayne county fair grounds will be utilized for the purpose.

Colonel Peterson's message, while expressing appreciation to Wilmington for her offer of facilities, explained that it came too late, and that Colonel Slocum, who will be in charge of the mustering out ceremonies, had already recommended Goldsboro for the honor.

Prior to receiving the message from Colonel Peterson, a committee from the local Chamber of Commerce had made a survey of what facilities the city could offer to the soldiers. They found that Wilmington could offer splendid inducements including over 45,000 square feet in floor space, located in one and two story buildings practically adjacent.

Capt. J. B. Lynch and Capt. E. A. Metts sent the following telegram to Colonel Peterson at Goldsboro:

"We have looked the situation over from a military standpoint, and find that Wilmington has splendid facilities for handling Second regiment."

"CAPT. E. A. METTS."

"CAPT. J. B. LYNCH."

"Care Chamber of Commerce, Goldsboro, N. C."

"Wilmington offers over 45,000 square feet in one and two-story buildings, practically located all together. On railroad with lights and arrangements for cooking. Good dry sanitary place. We want regiment to come here by all means. We would be glad to have you come down and look the proposition over for yourself. Answer."

Earlier in the day Col. John VanB. Metts, commanding the Second regiment, had wired Secretary Branch that a majority of the officers of the regiment were in favor of Wilmington, and would prefer either Wilmington or Goldsboro, the one offering the best facilities. Colonel Metts sent a similar message to the Adjutant-General.

The Wilmington engineers will probably be mustered out at Goldsboro with the Second should they come with that contingent. Otherwise they will be mustered out in Wayne county. The guardsmen are not expected to reach Goldsboro before next Sunday.

WITH THE RECORDER.

Frank Washington Paid Dearly for Owl Head Episode.

Frank Washington, a colored sport who went on a rampage several weeks ago and did considerable damage with his pet "owl head," was the worst sufferer at yesterday's session of the Recorder's court. Frank drew down a fine of \$50 and the costs for carrying a concealed weapon, and paid the costs for an assault with a deadly weapon.

Bessie Brown, a dark-tanned dame who interfered with policemen when they attempted to arrest her two companions Friday night, paid the costs in her case, and a prayer for judgment was suspended for 12 months. Daphne Carter, one of the other two women mixed up in the affair, was fined \$20 and the costs, while Rosa Tucker, whose love for bottled lightning was said to have been the cause of all the trouble, was taxed with the costs.

Willie Crawford, a 14-year-old colored boy, was tried in the juvenile court for assault and battery, and was paroled in the custody of the probation officer for a period of six months.

The usual quota of careles individuals who had violated the city ordinances in regard to driving and hitching were also present.

The fine of \$51 imposed on Frank Washington for violating the law against carrying concealed weapons, is in compliance with a new statute, which makes \$51 the minimum fine for this offense.

STOCKHOLDERS OF OLD BANK TO BE PAID DIVIDENDS TUESDAY

Liquidating Committee Preparing for Final Settlement.

The Murchison National Bank yesterday notified all the stockholders of the old Southern Bank that they would be paid a dividend of 10 per cent on March 26. The liquidating committee, composed of Messrs. J. H. Rehder, chairman, and Edward Ahrens and Z. W. Whitehead, were unable to say how much would be paid on the face value but it is hoped that the investors will lose but little.

The dividend to be paid Tuesday is for stockholders only, the depositors having been settled with some time ago. The Southern Bank was taken over by the Murchison Bank about three years ago when it went out of business, and the liquidating committee was appointed to investigate its affairs and settle with the stockholders.

FLAG PRESENTATION

Wilmington Juniors Will Hold Impressive Ceremonies at Vista School.

Fifty or more members of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics will go to Vista this morning, leaving in automobiles from Third and Princess streets at 9 o'clock, to participate in the exercises in connection with the presentation of a flag and Bible to the school at that place. The principal address will be made by Woodus Kellum, Esq., who will be introduced by J. A. McNorton, Esq. Rev. T. C. Eilers will preside at the exercises which will be held at the school house at 11 o'clock.

Miss Nellie MacMillan is the teacher of the school and she and the people of the community are planning a reception for the visitors. Following the flag raising an oyster roast will be served. A most enjoyable time is looked forward to.

Friday, March 23, at 10:30 A. M. Highwood Park land sale.—(adv.)

One fine lot given away FREE at Highwood Friday.—(adv.)

WILL BE GUESTS OF SOROSIS

President of State Federation of Woman's Clubs and President of Charlotte Club Coming.

Members of North Carolina Sorosis are looking forward with much pleasure to the visit of Mrs. T. W. Lingle, of Davidson, president of the State Federation of Woman's Clubs, and Mrs. Gordon Finger, president of the Woman's club of Charlotte and chairman of the Conservation committee of the State Federation, who will spend next Friday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Lingle and Mrs. Finger, who are the recognized leaders of woman's club work in North Carolina, will attend the Reciprocity convention of the Ninth district of the State Federation at Whiteville next Thursday and will come to Wilmington from that place. They will go to Wallace Saturday to attend the convention of the Twelfth district which includes Wilmington and New Hanover county.

While in Wilmington they will be the guests of Sorosis and on Friday afternoon will make addresses at a meeting of the organization in its club rooms on North Third street. Accompanied by a number of delegates from the local organizations, they will go to Wallace Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Westbrook is president of the Woman's Betterment Association of Wallace, which will entertain the convention of the 12th district. This district is composed of the following organizations: Sorosis and Housewives' League of Wilmington; Winter Park Civic League; Masonboro Mothers' club; Civic League of Southport; Betterment Association, of Wallace; Wednesday Book Club, of Burgaw; Woman's club and Sorosis, of Clinton; Woman's club of Salemburg; Sesame club, of Faison; Woman's club, of Ingold; Betterment and Civic League, of Warsaw.

Mrs. Elmore Powell is chairman of the Woman's club of Fayetteville, which will entertain the Ninth district convention. This district is composed of the following organizations: Young Matrons' club, of Chadbourn; Civic League of Rowland; Hook club, Civic Association and Woman's club, of Fayetteville; Civic club, of Lumburg; Edinburgh Book club, of Maxton; Civic League, of Maxton; St. Cecilia's club, of Laurinburg.

HE IS MUCH INTERESTED IN THE LIVESTOCK CONFERENCE

Dr. B. W. Kilgore, of Raleigh, Spent Yesterday in Wilmington.

Much interest was manifested by Dr. B. W. Kilgore, of Raleigh, director of the Agricultural Extension Service of the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, who spent yesterday in Wilmington, in the State-wide Livestock Exposition and Conference to be held in this city. Dr. Kilgore was en route from Fayetteville, where he made an address Friday. Willard, where he will visit the State farm.

Dr. Kilgore is recognized as one of the foremost men engaged in the promotion of agricultural interests in the South. As head of the extension service for the State Department of Agriculture he is accomplishing great things in the way of bringing this department in close touch with the farmer in his actual farming operations.

When yet again the week day sun rises from the east, and shaketh the sparkling caresses of Aurora from his brow, that then at once, instant, immediately, promptly and without delay will he who stands behind the long desk and issue receipts, instead begin to issue levies on all your personal property, even on your dog.

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And Soundeth a Note of Warning to Delinquent Payors.

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Preparedness is a personal affair. What others may do matters little—these are the vital questions: "Am I ready for emergency?" "Have I a financial reserve against the unexpected?"

A Savings Account at the People's Savings Bank is the logical solution—a dollar deposited weekly; two dollars; five, or more or less. Any sum is acceptable and we pay 4% interest.

OLD AND STRONG.

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

COR. FRONT AND PRINCESS STS.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

Statement to the Corporation Commission of the condition of the

Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business on March 5th, 1917.

RESOURCES:	LIABILITIES:
Loans	Capital
North Carolina State Bonds	Surplus
All Other Stocks, Bonds and Mortgages	Undivided Profits
Banking House	Accrued Interest Due Depositors
Cash	Building Reserve
Invested Trust Funds	Discounts Unearned
	Reserved for Dividend April 1st
	Dividends Unpaid
	Deposits
Total	Total

I, Jno. Lewis Williams, Cashier of the Wilmington Savings & Trust Company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct Attest: N. B. RANKIN, J. V. GRAINGER, JNO. D. BELLAMY, JR. Directors.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Jessie Lupo, of Winston-Salem, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Ethel Holmes, No. 1412 Dock street.

Miss Elsie Moore, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. W. T. Peewee and Mrs. Levi McMillan, No. 718 Market street.

Mrs. J. O. Jones and little daughter, of Savannah, Ga., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Murray, No. 1010 North Third street.

Friends in Wilmington and elsewhere will regret to learn of the illness of Miss Mettie Anne Owen, who is a well known registered nurse. She is at her home in this city.

Yesterday's Fayetteville Observer: "Mrs. R. E. Williams, of Wilmington, is the guest of her daughter, Miss Pauline Williams, and of Mrs. R. L. Frank, at 289 Gillespie street."

The many friends of Mrs. J. A. Orrell, wife of County Auditor Orrell, will regret to learn that it was necessary for her to undergo an operation for appendicitis at the Tankersley-Harper Sanitarium yesterday. She is getting along as well as could be expected.

The women who are interested in motor driving are asked to organize their department in the High School auditorium next Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Before a mechanic instructor can be employed it will be necessary to know how many women of the city want to know how to run and repair an automobile. All who are interested are, therefore, earnestly requested to attend the first meeting.

Whiteville News Reporter: "Dr. J. L. Meredith, of Wilmington, was here Sunday. Mr. P. F. Powell was a visitor to Wilmington Sunday. Mrs. J. B. Schulken spent part of last week in Wilmington. Mrs. E. S. Lewis was a visitor in Wilmington one day last week. Mr. Robert Grady, of Wilmington, was here the first of the week. Messrs. G. R. McNeill and W. F. Spears, and Misses Margaret Baldwin and Sue Powell motored to Wilmington Sunday. Mr. John Carter, of Wilmington, spent Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. Joshua Smith."

Clinton Democrat: "Mr. John Slocumb, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his grand-children, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Giddens. Mrs. J. L. Everton and niece, Miss Yeoman, are spending the week in Wilmington visiting friends. Miss Louise Worth, of Wilmington, passed through here on her way to Belvoir, to give an entertainment on Saturday. Mrs. J. C. Carroll, of Wilmington, came up on Thursday to spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Bowen. Mr. L. C. Wright, of the Wilmington bar, is attending court here this week."

Southport News: "Messrs. W. B. Fountain, Charlie Nixon and Clyde Leonard, of Wilmington, spent Sunday here. Mr. L. V. Lacy, formerly with the W. B. & S. railroad in this city, but now with the Atlantic Coast Line in Wilmington, was here Saturday. Rev. L. M. Holloway, pastor of the Baptist church, spent Monday night in Wilmington. Miss. Elizabeth Guthrie visited relatives and friends in Wilmington last week. It is reported that Miss Bessie Smith, of this city, is in the James Walker Memorial hospital in Wilmington, where she recently underwent an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Eli Cavanaugh, of Wilmington, arrived here last week succeeding Mr. L. V. Lacy as freight agent of the W. B. & S. railroad. Capt. L. D. Potter and wife left last week for Wilmington for a short stay before returning to New York, their home."

MISS EDNA VAUGHAN BRIDE
OF MR. J. C. WILLIAMSON.
Mr. J. Carl Williamson and Miss Edna E. Vaughan were married at 3:30 o'clock last night at the parsonage of Grace Methodist church. Rev. M. T. Plyler officiating. Only a few relatives and intimate friends of the couple were present. Mr. Williamson is connected with the B. F. & S. of this city, while the bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. P. S. Vaughan, of No. 310 Red Cross street. They will make their future home at No. 310 Red Cross street.

MOCK MARRIAGE A FEATURE OF ENTERTAINMENT AT SOUTHPORT.
Southport, N. C., March 17.—Last Tuesday, at the home of Miss Lollie Russell, the young people passed an enjoyable evening, with games and dancing and closing with refreshments, that gave a pleasing finish to the evening.
Last night at the Pavilion there was an entertainment for the benefit of the Ladies Aid Society, a mock marriage being placed on the stage, the leading characters being taken by young men, who were costumed to meet the requirements of the scenes portrayed. There was a good deal of amusement afforded the audience.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY AT CATHEDRAL RECTORY.
Beneath the Stars and Stripes and the green banner of old Ireland, a delightful St. Patrick's day party was held in the Cathedral rectory of St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral last evening from 8 to 11 o'clock. The decorations were appropriate to the occasion and were followed throughout the entire programme, including the refreshments.
The programme contained a number of Irish ballads and popular airs rendered by the Croom Brothers quartette; a solo by Miss Annie Banks; piano solo by Miss Allen; readings from Irish selections by Mrs. Lollie O'Neill, and numerous games.

ANNOUNCE THE ENGAGEMENT OF FORMER WILMINGTONIAN.
The following from the Savannah Morning News will be of much interest to friends in Wilmington: Mr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Fulton announce the engagement of their daughter Lella, to Mr. William Leonard Merriman, of Memphis, Tenn., formerly of Wilmington, N. C. The wedding will take place in

SAUER'S PURE FLAVORING EXTRACTS
HIGHEST AWARDS
GRAND PRIX-PANAMA EXPO

LETTUCE SEASON OPENS SOON

Reports From New Hanover Indicate That Plants Are Doing Fine—Other Trucking Crops Planted.

Unless further cold weather delays the growth of the plants, the lettuce season in New Hanover will open about April 15th, according to Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator, who states that the plants are in fine condition now with every indication of a normal crop. The acreage is practically the same as last year and although the cold snap early in the year did much damage, fortunately it came early enough that the growers could put out new plants.

The importance of the lettuce crop to New Hanover can be realized when it is remembered that the average shipment annually to Northern points is 250 cars, which sells for more than \$100,000. This is a very important part of the income of the farmers of the county and is the biggest item for a single crop.

Practically all Irish potatoes have been planted with every indication of a fine crop. The acreage for New Hanover will be about 400 acres, according to estimates. The biggest difficulty this year was in obtaining tubers for planting. Potatoes for planting sold for \$1 a peck and when the demand was most pressing for even larger amounts. Potatoes recently brought to New York in carload lots were considered so valuable that an armed guard was placed on each car and one newspaper facetiously remarked that if the price continued to advance that it wouldn't be long until a guard was sent with each potato. However, the price has begun to decline, now that the demand is not so great and more of them are being shipped in.

Mr. Herring estimates that the acreage for English peas this year in New Hanover will not be more than 80 per cent of what it was last year. Most of the peas have been planted. Beans are also being planted while some of the farmers are raising cauliflower and other vegetables. Cabbage will soon be ready for transplanting.

Altogether, the outlook for the trucking industry in New Hanover is considered most favorable. For weather conditions during the past few weeks have been most favorable and there is no reason now to indicate that they will not continue so.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

—United States District Attorney J. O. Carr is in Raleigh on business.

—Supt. John J. Blair, of the city schools, was confined to his room yesterday with a slight illness.

—Messrs. Walter and Clayton Horne were called to Southport yesterday to attend the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Sallie Ottoway, who died Friday afternoon.

—Mr. Will Rehder, the local florist, is in New York attending the flower show of the Rose Society. Only roses will be exhibited and the show will last for several days.

—Mr. H. C. Cameron, who has been connected with the traffic department of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad for the past seven years, has been promoted to a position as commercial agent at Ocala, Fla. He has already entered upon his duties but will remain here for some time.

—Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Mr. Louis Cottecht, who recently resigned as assistant to General Secretary Bowler, of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, will leave this morning to take up his new duties with the industrial and irrigation department of the Southern Railway at Asheville. He will be succeeded here by Mr. Louis Womble."

LOCAL DOTS

—Friends will regret to learn of the serious illness of Floyd, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Kelly, No. 408 Queest street.

—Representatives of the auditing firm of Haskins & Sells, of New York, are auditing the books of the Atlantic Coast Line railroad.

ANOTHER ENGINEER PASSED

W. J. Thompson Heard Final Taps on March 11.—Body Brought Home
The body of Mr. W. J. Thompson, a member of the Wilmington company of engineers on border duty at El Paso, Texas, arrived at his former home in Council's yesterday morning in the care of Mr. E. E. Nye, of the same company. Mr. Thompson was a son of Mr. W. R. Thompson, of Councils, and died with measles in the base hospital at Fort Bliss on March 11. He enlisted in Wilmington on August 25, last year.

NOVEL AND HIGHLY AMUSING ENTERTAINMENT AT CHADBOURN
Chadbourne, N. C., March 17.—A "backwards" party was a novel and highly amusing entertainment given by Masters Earl and James Miller at their home Friday night, the 16th. The invitations were written backwards, guests were requested to dress backwards and enter in the same manner, as also were the refreshments served. Every one had a delightfully jolly time and great enjoyment prevailed throughout the evening, as the guests presented a most comic array of costumes and the general appearance was of a house turned "inside out."
Mrs. Orville Bass was hostess to the Memorial club on Thursday afternoon. The attendance was large and the afternoon was most pleasantly spent.
Mrs. R. Koons entertained a number of her friends on Saturday, of last week, the occasion being the celebration of her birthday. Her hosts of friends wish for her many happy returns of the day.
A number of Chadbourne club women are planning to attend the Reciprocity Day conference of this district of the State Federation, which convenes in Whiteville Thursday of next week. Many prominent women will meet together to portray the needs of closer union of all betterment clubs and organizations.
Mrs. D. C. Clark spent several days of the past week in Wilmington, the guest of friends and relatives.
The approaching marriage of Mr. A. S. Chadbourne and Miss Elizabeth Graddock, of Houston, Va., will be a social event of much interest to many.
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Wright, of Boardman, passed through town Monday en route to Wilmington.
After a few days' visit to friends and relatives in Wilmington, Mrs. Edgar Pearson returned home Thursday.
Miss Bernice MacDonald returned to Wilmington Monday, where she is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. J. J. Anderson, of No. 723 Chestnut street, and attending the Hemenway grammar school.
Among business visitors from Wilmington here this week were Messrs. Frank Andrews, C. D. French, J. C. Robeson, Mack Nance, Walter Hufham, Sid Berry and Clayton Edmund.
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CHORAL SOCIETY TO PRESENT SECOND PART MONDAY NIGHT.

Oratorio Will Be Sung in Auditorium of Grace Methodist Church.

The Choral Society will present the second section of the oratorio of "Elijah" on Monday evening, in the auditorium of Grace church, beginning promptly at 8:15. Judging from the numerous inquiries which have been made as to the time and place of the next presentation from the large number present at the first rendition, the sacred edifice will be crowded to its capacity and preparations to that end have been carefully made. At the opening number will require about ten minutes to sing, and as no one will be seated during this or any other number, those who contemplate attending are requested to be on hand at the time mentioned.

The interest in this part that will be sung centers around the prophecy of Elijah that "There shall not dew or rain fall on the earth these years," which the true God and Elijah are supposed to elapse between the first and second parts and we come to the meeting between the prophets and the prophets of Baal in which the question between them is, "To which the true God and Elijah's voice is heard—'If Baal be God, then follow him; if Jehovah be God, then follow Him.' The scene on Mount Carmel between the 400 prophets of Baal on one side and Elijah, with one companion, on the other, the loud and frequent callings of the prophets of Baal that he will hear them and the prayer of Elijah—"Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, hear me this day in fire and let all the people know that Thou art Jehovah, the God of Israel, and that I am Thy servant and through Thee have I done these things."—the answer to that prayer which lets it be known that the "God that answers by fire, He shall be the true God, the coming of the fire, wind and rain, the flight of the prophets of Baal down the mountain side and the escape of Elijah—the whole ending with the famous chorus, "Thanks be to God," forms an evening of intense musical interest and instruction. To those who would refresh themselves as to the extent of the drought that fell on the land after it had been predicted by Elijah, the effects upon the people and the land, no more interesting or instructive reading can be had than that which is found in Dean Stanley's "History of the Jewish Church" (Vol. 2), beginning about page 255 and those who contemplate attending Monday evening will be better prepared to intelligently appreciate the dramatic music which has been so wonderfully composed by Mendelssohn if they will take the few minutes it requires to read this before coming.

The interpretation of "Elijah" will be in the hands of Mr. Greene Penley and the other solo parts will be by Mrs. Geo. S. Boylan, Miss Anna Graham Harris and Mr. J. R. Eddy. The solo quartette, "Cast Thy Burdens," will be composed of Mrs. Boylan, Miss Harris, Mr. Eddy and Mr. J. F. Harris, Jr. The duet between Elijah and the attendants will be sung by Miss Catharine Williams, opposite Mr. Penley.

There will be no charge for admission, but a silver offering will be taken at the door for the Epworth League of Grace Methodist church under whose auspices the production will be given. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Real Estate Transfers.

Among the deeds filed for record in the office of Register of Deeds John Haar yesterday were: Mary W. Hedrick, et al, to D. P. High, et al, for \$10 and other considerations, lot in Winter Park Gardens; Belle Heyer Bulluck, et al, to Wilmington Co-operative Truck and Growers' Association, Inc., for \$1 and other considerations, lands in Cape Fear township; D. W. Howard and wife to B. W. Howard for \$10 and other considerations, one-fifth interest in lot on Sixth street, 132 feet south of Walnut street, 165x33 feet in size; Solomon Stenberger to Southern Realty Co., for \$100 and other considerations, lot in Summer Hill division.

Friday, March 23, at 10:30 A. M., Highwood Park land sale.—(adv.)



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Items for this department of the Sunday Star may be phoned to No. 201 on Fridays from 9 A. M. to 12 o'clock, noon.

Schedule for the Week.

Sunday: Vesper service at 5 P. M. Subject, "Preparedness." Leader, Rev. W. V. McRae. Mrs. George Boylan, soloist. All girls and women invited.

Monday: High School gymnasium class from 3:30 to 4:30 P. M. Mrs. Noe's Bible class for business women at 7 P. M. Business girls' gymnasium class from 6:30 to 7:30 and from 8 to 9 P. M.

Tuesday: Matron's class in gymnasium from 10:30 to 11:30 A. M. Cooking class at P. M. Religious work committee at 7:30 P. M. Grade girls' gymnasium class from 3:30 to 4:30 P. M.

Wednesday: A home night at association building.

Thursday: Discoverer's club meets at P. M. Gymnasium classes same as Monday.

Friday: Gymnasium classes same as Tuesday.

Saturday: Children's gymnasium class from 10 to 11 A. M.

At all times the Young Women's Christian Association is offering a cordial welcome and any service they may be able to render to any girl who needs any assistance, regardless of her creed. This service is given to young women in Wilmington. The library is full of good books. The following current magazines are always on file: "The Association Monthly," "The Ladies' Home Journal," "The Christian Herald," "St. Nicholas," "The Youth's Companion," "McClure's," "The Century," "Everybody's," "Go Forward," Lutheran Church Visitor, "The Confederate Veteran." Come and enjoy some of them.

Coolness—To Be or Not To Be.

The destiny of Coolness is still undecided. The membership committee of the Y. W. C. A. set out a month ago to procure 300 members with membership at one dollar. The weather was cold; thinking in terms of beach and beach trips was difficult when even a new spring bonnet looked pitifully cold in all its colors. They secured 80 members. And that is where Coolness stands. The cottage rents for \$300 and the plan was to carry this by membership fees. The cottage itself is self supporting.

But the membership committee is not discouraged. There are plans for a smaller and modified club house, the more extensive project cannot be financed. This plan is to procure a smaller and less expensive cottage and operate it as a club house for the girls, serving meals in cafeteria style, affording dressing room, rest room, lockers etc., but offering no sleeping facilities. This would undoubtedly fill a much felt need for a place to go to spend the day at the beach. There are many more services that could be rendered to all young women.

Report of General Secretary, March 7.

"That best portion of a man's life, his little nameless, unremembered little of kindness and love."

Granted this to be true of an individual then why not of an organization? We do need to remember the very reason for our existence is to supply the need of the girls, whatever it may be. Some needs are unclassified, and fall naturally in no committee's field. The resources of the Association available most of the time are able to afford services, often wanted then or not at all. The following are a few of the services the Association has been able to render this month:

To look up publications along religious subjects and advise books to several persons.

To furnish a list of available rooms to six girls.

The use of the piano in the gymnasium at the noon hour granted to a girl studying music. There are probably more that are not remembered.

But is this not true, these little isolated acts would not be possible were we not an organization finely attuned to our purpose and abiding with the enthusiasm for the best things for girls.

A Christian Association for all young women in this city should have help her service along our four-fold lines: the strength and wisdom, the help and the shepherding inspiration of our organization. And who dares to say there are any who do not need it—whatever her home surroundings may be or may not be, for what girl is there in this throbbing time in which we live who does not long to share with other girls some of her life, some of the good things she has come to know.

The Association should be furnishing the means which will enable the girl to do this. She should be bringing to other shares.

The seven standing committees of the Association have met together this month with an attendance of 27. The following are some of the outstanding plans under way:

Membership.—The ever recurring problem of making membership more than a name, a card in the file, a vital relation with a living organization that is doing things for girls—how can this be done? The membership committee believes an answer to this is publicity and giving the members a chance of becoming acquainted with our work, or ideals for purposes. We repeat without fear of wearying we

How to Be Rid of Disgusting Dandruff

The only way to get rid of disgusting, untidy dandruff is to correct its cause. Shampooing merely cleanses the scalp for a few days, then the scales form again as thick as ever.

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need to educate our members, our conduct, with this in mind the membership committee assisted by the social committee is issuing invitations to the junior members to a St. Patrick's Day party. The High School and grade gymnasium class are to be hostesses and give an exhibition of the gymnasium work, and the Discoverers' Club is to present plans in a realistic and interesting way. There are 59 juniors and we hope to gain some more active members in this way.

In April the membership committee is planning to have a membership rally for the senior members with some out of town speakers if possible and much good fellowship. There is need of our membership getting the feeling of a group of people truly united in making something looking nice and before we are aware of it we are loving the folks we are working with, no matter how peculiar they are, we find traits and characteristics that excite admiration.

The physical committee is happy to report a more airy and healthful gymnasium since the two windows and the door have been cut. They have been granted permission to use the W. L. I. Armory tennis court at stated times.

The Association needs to be thinking in terms of hot weather and girls looking for recreation—a general lowering of the standards of life is characteristic of the hot weather. What has the Association to offer the girl who is tired and worn out with a long hot day in an office. A tennis court would be one thing. Also some out of door song services on Sunday afternoon.

What else? We cannot afford to lose our sense of responsibility for in the summer. How can we as an organization establish and maintain a higher and finer standard of summer pleasure than that one sees and hears of on the beach? Whether the business girl maintains Coolness or not this season should we not make ourselves felt on the beach? This is a suggestion without ways and means but if girls and their needs are not our province, then there is certainly a place for the Y. W. C. A. on the beach. The religious work committee is planning a series of vesper services beginning March 11, and continuing through Easter.

The subjects are selected and the speakers are chosen. The religious purpose of the meetings is to present the life of Christ and the call of allegiance to his cause in a direct and simple manner.

The house committee feels its helplessness in the face of its very limited quarters in connection with the problem of the living conditions of girls in boarding houses and is therefore preparing a complete directory of boarding houses and rooms where girls may be directed.

They also hope to arouse among women who have girls boarding with them an interest in their welfare. One need not be sentimental to do this and it need not be incongruous with making one's living by making girls to board.

The idea of preparedness is in the air. Is there not a higher sort of preparedness? Christ has been challenged today as He has never been before. Do we really see in Jesus Christ the only solution absolutely for Peace, righteousness and love throughout the world today?

How are we to avail ourselves of His faith in His Father? Surely by prayer, what outstanding characteristics are there to all of Jesus' prayers? Where they not all world prayers? He planned His life in terms of the whole world. How far are our prayers reaching? Do we really care about the women in China, India, and Turkey?

There is no better place to learn to care and to be led into thinking in world terms than in the summer conferences at Blue Ridge. The conference plans embrace rich privileges for board members, there are conferences with our national secretaries and round table discussions of local problems. The ten days are days full of delight and the physical situation in itself is ideal.

Also there are delightful and stimulating women to be met from our South Atlantic field. The date this summer is July 21-31. How many are going?

The Blue Ridge Club on last Tuesday night showed 35 lantern slides of the 11 summer conferences grounds and all of their various sports and activities. No one could see them without resolving to go to Blue Ridge this summer without fail. The privilege is yours to embrace.

How To Entertain Neighbors.

Perhaps a friend is to make you a prolonged visit, or there is a new neighbor in your town whom you wish your acquaintances to meet and have an opportunity to know. What form of entertaining will best suit these purposes?

An informal afternoon reception or "tea" is the most frequently used method of introducing a newcomer to a large group of people. If the home, or apartment, contains two parlors, or a dining room connecting with the living room, a large number of people can be entertained during the two hours, four to six, or five to seven, generally reserved for this form of hospitality.

The hostess receives with the guest of honor to whom she presents each arrival standing besides her. After a few minutes' talk the visitor moves on to greet other friends or towards the tea table in the second room generally under the charge of two young girls—perhaps the daughter of the hostess and a friend. To be able to preside efficiently over the afternoon tea service is a part of the modern girl's education. Often a girl while still in school will be allowed to assist at the tea table, but she must dress and conduct herself as a girl of that age should and not claim any of the social prerogatives of a young lady.

For this form of entertaining a maid's services are only necessary in opening the door, assisting visitors with wraps and replenishing the tea table.

The refreshments may be varied, but confined to articles which may be eaten daintily from the fingers—such as thin, three cornered sandwiches, wafers, tiny cakes, salted nuts and candy. Hot chocolate, or a grape fruit punch, is often served in addition to tea.

The guest of honor at an afternoon

tea will meet a great many people, but the chances are she will not know any of these. It is a form of entertaining that makes acquaintances and not friends, and for that reason often falls in making a new corner at home in her unfamiliar surroundings.

Comfortable Gettings-Acquainted.

The old time bring-your-sewing-and-spend-the-afternoon sort of entertaining is coming back with the approval of the smart world of the large cities where it is being used to aid the war sufferers. There is nothing like a needle or crochet hook to make conversation simple and easy. For any afternoon of this sort the number of guests is limited to the comfortable seating capacity of the living-room. For tea the guests gather around the dining room table and heartier dishes are served than at more formal entertaining.

For early spring a luncheon of this kind is most successfully started with a fruit course. Prepare sliced, canned pineapple by dicing it with grape fruit or orange. Add maraschino cherries and chili. Just as you serve this appetizer pour over each serving a tablespoon of clarified grape juice. Rissoles of canned sockeye salmon with rice cakes will make a novel entrée and should be accompanied with escalloped tomatoes. Serve small cakes decorated with maraschino frosting and Russian tea for dessert.

A Favorite Drink.

A drink of cool, beaded grape juice is just the thing to break the monotony of those trying housecleaning days when many of us will be going through shortly.

Every far-sighted housewife will keep a goodly store of bottled grape juice on her emergency shelf. For of such served refreshments, there is nothing more attractive, more nutritious, nor more satisfying than this popular beverage.

It is also the drink most in demand for the hastily prepared luncheon, the chance afternoon caller, the unexpected "hike," picnic or motor trip, or the late midnight lunch.

How Grape Juice Is Produced.

In one of the largest industrial plants I know of, a wonderful new process of clarifying grape juice has been installed. All producers of this beverage have long been confronted with the problem of how to prepare their product for the market without including any of the sediment. This sediment is always present in practically every other grape juice on the market. It often destroys the attractive brilliancy of coloring as well as the natural flavor of the fruit, and sometimes the acid quantities have been present to such a degree as to make the juice unpalatable.

The new process of clarifying which this one great producer of national reputation has installed, is hailed as one of the most important advances in the history of grape juice. It results in a juice clarified to the highest possible degree, heavy in body, rich in color, beautiful in appearance, and with a very superior aroma and flavor. It also does away with the sediment which has had to be resorted to under the old methods to overcome the tart and acid taste.

In this same plant, the grapes are carefully inspected. In order to secure the necessary uniformity of quality, only grapes which are ripe and which are from well tended, properly attended and sprayed vineyards are chosen.

After the grapes are picked, throughout the whole process of making, the juice does not come in contact with human hands. One of the most important processes in the manufacture of grape juice is that of proper heating. By the special, expert care given the grapes, the juice is kept at a temperature of pure, wholesome, healthful and delicious is offered, ready to serve.

A Few Ways of Serving.

GRAPE FLOAT.—To each glass two-thirds full of plain lemonade, add a whole juice and grape fruit squeeze of the top of the glass. Pour grape juice in very carefully on the ice and it will float on top.

GRAPE JUICE FIZ.—Have both grape juice and charged water very cold. Fill a glass one-third full of grape juice and add charged water. This is a guaranteed thirst quencher.

GRAPE JUICE PUNCH.—Heat twelve cups of water and add two cups of sugar and finders of four lemons and four oranges. As soon as syrup starts to boil, remove from fire. Cool syrup and add the juice of four lemons, four oranges, one pint each of strawberry juice and pineapple juice and one quart of grape juice that has been chilled. Add to it. Pour over a block of ice in a punch bowl and serve in punch glasses.

GRAPE MINT CUP.—Arrange sprigs of mint in tall glasses, fill two-thirds full of cracked ice, pour over the following: To one quart of grape juice, add the juice of two lemons and sugar to sweeten.

GRAPE JUICE NECTAR.—To one pint of pure grape juice, add one-half cup of sugar, juice of two lemons and one pint of water. Mix and serve cold, garnishing each glass with thin slices of lemon and orange.

All Girls Not Cooks.

Because one is a girl it does not naturally follow that one is an expert cook. The way young women gaily walk into competition with the great chefs of America's fine hotels and restaurants is appalling. The young bride who firmly believes that her affection for her husband is going to make her fingers deft at handling pastries lightly has a hard time before her. The only road to good cooking is knowledge and practice. Often the only knowledge a housewife has of buying, balancing, cooking and serving foods, she has worked out for herself by expensive experimenting at home.

At the present high costs of material it behooves every little lady who means to be a real help to study foods and cookery points before starting on her term of household management.

If she has plunged into the new life without adequate preparation she had best call on the reliable producer of quality foods to come to her rescue.

She can serve foods prepared by expert chefs in this way and be sure she will never have a failure. At the same time she will have leisure to which to prepare herself to handle the big problem of feeding her household in the most efficient way.

One substantial dish that she can hardly go wrong on, however, is a ham or part of a ham spiced and backed for dinner. This will afford meat for several meals.

Buy a ham put out by a house that sells United States inspected meats. Select one of the hams in the sanitary covering. They are juicy, tender and sweet and are economical as the slices do not crack.

Economical and Practical.

Boil the ham in a ten-pound one, for two hours. Remove the skin. Rub brown sugar into the fat, insert two dozen cloves here and there in the fat and bake, basting often, until done, probably two hours in all. It is really a real treat for all of us? Are we really paying for what we actually get?

GIVEN BANK FELLOWSHIPS

Robert DeRosset, of Wilmington, Will Spend Year in National City Bank of New York.

Many Wilmington friends will be interested in learning that Mr. Robert DeRosset, a member of the Junior class of the University of North Carolina, has been awarded a fellowship in the National City Bank of New York for 1917. Two fellowships are awarded annually, the other winner this year being Mr. Elliott Cooper, of Oxford, Meigs, William Grimes, of Raleigh, and Robert Foster, Jr., of Asheville, were named as alternates.

The men are chosen on the basis of their character, personality, scholarship, practical experience and knowledge of languages. Messrs. T. C. Boush and James Harrison, of Raleigh, are University of North Carolina graduates who are already in the service of the bank.

A period of training in the bank, which is the largest financial institution doing a purely banking business in New York, involves an actual working time of 12 months. During this time the bank pays the holders of these fellowships \$50 a month and in addition allows them their own scale of expenses. Mr. DeRosset and Mr. Cooper will begin their training this summer.

The holders of the fellowships are given a brief period of training in different departments of the bank, so that at the end of a year they have had the opportunity of becoming thoroughly acquainted with the general operations of the institution.

These fellowships are awarded to the University of North Carolina as one of the 17 universities of the country that has been put on the co-operative plan of training for foreign service by the National City Bank. The bank and the University believe that there is a career for young Americans in the future foreign trade relations of the United States of unlimited possibilities. They have set themselves, therefore, to the task of jointly preparing young men of character, versatility and persistence to do this work on a big scale.

North Carolina is the only Southern University so honored with the exception of Tulane. Among the 16 other institutions may be mentioned Harvard, Princeton, Yale, Columbia, Cornell, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Northwestern Universities. The plan provides a laboratory fellowship in practical banking. Undergraduates spend their summer vacation in the bank, where they acquire a working knowledge of banking in routine and organization. This is coupled with language training and class work, amounting to 12 hours a week, the work being of such a nature that the co-operating universities are granting some college credit to those students who have successfully passed the bank's examinations at the termination of the course.

THE WILMINGTON SYMPHONY GLEE SINGERS WILL GIVE CONCERT

Will Appear in Memorial Hall of St. Andrew's Church Friday Evening.

The Wilmington public have every reason to be proud of the splendid efforts that have been put forth by an aggregation of the best male singers in the city, who, in February, 1916, organized themselves into the Wilmington Symphony Glee Singers for the purpose of meeting the demands in social life for wholesome entertainment in music. Under the direction of Mr. Bert G. Jones, whose superior musical talents are fully recognized, the Symphony Glee Singers have been constantly practicing and their organization in order to give the public the very best that local male voices can produce.

The Euphonia, a progressive Sunday school class of young ladies of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, consider themselves extremely fortunate in securing an engagement with the Wilmington Symphony Glee Singers for their second appearance in this city.

On Friday evening, March 18th, at 8 o'clock in the Memorial hall of St. Andrew's church, the Wilmington public will be given the opportunity of hearing this aggregation of artists with voices of quality. Their repertoire includes a variety of songs, and includes dramatic choruses, martial and patriotic airs, secular and humorous glees, National and folk songs. There are also two organized quartettes in the chorus and each specializes in their own particular class. Each member of the glee singers is also able to do some part in the programme apart from chorus work. While the singers are at home in choruses that call for volume they are at their best in soft pianissimo work.

Although the greater part of the programme will consist of vocal music, the glee singers have not neglected the instrumental part and the work of Mr. McC. B. Wilson and Mr. F. W. Tremaine and mandolin and guitar can only be appreciated when heard. The programme has been planned with a snap and no dull moments need be anticipated.

The lovers of music in its variety have something delightful to look forward to this week. The price of admission is 50 cents for adults, 25 cents for children. Tickets are now on sale at the Wilmington Grocery Company, C. W. Yates & Company, and Peterson & Ruffs.

COBURN'S MINSTRELS GAVE DELIGHTFUL PERFORMANCE

Show Was Appreciated by Large Audiences Yesterday at Academy.

With merry jests, catchy songs, tuneful music, gorgeous costumes, and many unique stunts not usually seen on the minstrel stage, Coburn's Greater Minstrels, featuring Charlie Gano, captivated the audiences that filled the Academy of Music at both matinee and evening performances yesterday.

Instead of the usual stereotyped opening of the ordinary minstrel, Coburn's presented a scene at the palace of "Maharajah Nizam" of Hadjuma, Upper Bengal, India. The opening part of the show contained the usual minstrel jokes, dances, and songs, all of which went with a snap that drew considerable applause, nearly every number being encored. If any three

could be considered as favorites they were "Mother Is the Best Sweetheart of All," by Earl Rowland; "The Big Bass Viol," by Lester Lucas, and "The Fountain of Youth," by Charlie Gano.

The second part was taken up by a series of musical, acrobatic and contortionist acts. The three Cates brothers were exceptionally good with their music, while Lynch and Boyne executed some very clever and difficult tumbling.

Standing out as one of the musical features of the show was the playing of Restivo, the wizard of the accordion. This young player won the plaudits of the audience after his first selection and it was with difficulty that he succeeded in making his last bow.

The final act was a mixture of fun on the topic of the day—military preparedness—and was just the thing to leave the crowd in the same mirthful mood maintained during the opening.

Mr. Johnson Will Speak.

The first of the series of evangelistic meetings for boys will be held in the Y. M. C. A. at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. E. B. Johnson will be the first speaker of the series and will speak on the subject, "Why." As usual the musical numbers will be a feature. This series has been widely advertised by making a personal appeal to all the ministers of the city for their cooperation.

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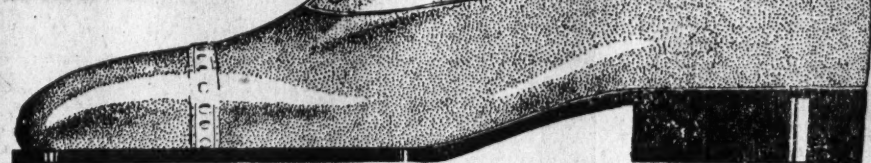
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strumental part and the work of Mr. McC. B. Wilson and Mr. F. W. Tremaine and mandolin and guitar can only be appreciated when heard. The programme has been planned with a snap and no dull moments need be anticipated.

The lovers of music in its variety have something delightful to look forward to this week. The price of admission is 50 cents for adults, 25 cents for children. Tickets are now on sale at the Wilmington Grocery Company, C. W. Yates & Company, and Peterson & Ruffs.

Make a Spanish Omelet for breakfast and a ham and cheese for lunch. It is advisable to have a different kind of meat for dinner the next night and I would suggest some of the delicious canned meats. Only buy those with the insignia United States inspected and passed on the can. It would be wise to stock a shelf with reliable staples such as soup, fish, meats, vegetables and fruits.

One would then feel a bit free to get at the bottom of one's problem. Write Mrs. Adams for suggestion on what books to read along these lines.

No Waste.

Every year the American housewife becomes more of a specialist, and prefers to devote ever increasing proportion of her time and attention to the work she is best able to do.

Instead of raising and having her own hogs butchered, as formerly, then picking and smoking hams for herself, this work is now left to the great packers, who are not only equipped to do all this better and cheaper, but who actually boil the ham in addition, and the housewife buys it sliced, ready to serve and with bones, surplus fat and all other waste removed.

The price, of course, has gone up, as each pound of waste has been eliminated, and as each successive service has been performed. But if it fair, and it is wise to decline against such natural evolution as so many "unwarranted advances in cost of living."

These are only examples of increased efficiency all along the line, which, when judged solely by the dollar standard, have contributed to the rising cost of living. There is room for honest doubt, on this high cost problem, however. Are not conditions, as a whole, probably two hours in all. It is really a real treat for all of us? Are we really paying for what we actually get?

could be considered as favorites they were "Mother Is the Best Sweetheart of All," by Earl Rowland; "The Big Bass Viol," by Lester Lucas, and "The Fountain of Youth," by Charlie Gano.

The second part was taken up by a series of musical, acrobatic and contortionist acts. The three Cates brothers were exceptionally good with their music, while Lynch and Boyne executed some very clever and difficult tumbling.

Standing out as one of the musical features of the show was the playing of Restivo, the wizard of the accordion. This young player won the plaudits of the audience after his first selection and it was with difficulty that he succeeded in making his last bow.

The final act was a mixture of fun on the topic of the day—military preparedness—and was just the thing to leave the crowd in the same mirthful mood maintained during the opening.

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WANT TO BORROW A HOUSE

National Special Aid Society Wants Headquarters For Its Activities.

Who somebody please lend the National Special Aid Society a vacant house? Of course, it would be understood that the activities would be moved elsewhere in case the owner found a tenant. Perhaps there is some large store that cannot be rented or even a large room over a store—any place that is central would be gladly accepted.

The society has had a good deal of ground lent to them. They have had 1,600 women's services offered in case of need. The men are patriots as well as the women, and the Special Aid Society would be very much interested to see signs of some masculine enterprise that is as enterprising as their own.

CAFE CHANGES HANDS

Royal On North Front Street Purchased by Turner and Rogers.

Messrs. Willie Mac Turner and Earnest Rogers, who have been connected with Newman's Cafe on Princess street for some time, have purchased the Royal Cafe on North Front street near the Union station, and opened for business yesterday morning. Both are men of considerable experience in the cafe business and will be glad to see their friends at their new stand.

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SOCIAL

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Mrs. J. H. Laskey and son, Harold, of Goldsboro, visited relatives in town the past week.

Miss Blinn, of Charlotte, representative of the Piedmont Lyceum Company, was in the city Monday in the interest of this select organization.

RED SPRINGS SOCIAL AFFAIRS

OF THE WEEK OF INTEREST
Red Springs, N. C., March 17.—Between the hours of four and six o'clock on Thursday afternoon, Mrs. J. Dixon McLean and Miss Bess Sikes were at home at the residence of Mrs. W. H. Sikes to a large number of their friends in honor of Miss Rosa McMillan, who will be an April bride.

The handsome home was most attractive in the decorations of pink and green, which lent a rosy hue and brought the tone of the springtime into the beautiful rooms.

The guests were greeted in the hall by Mrs. S. E. Leonard and Mrs. W. E. Sikes, the latter presenting them to the receiving party composed of Mrs. Dixon McLean, Miss Sikes, Miss McMillan, Miss Katherine Dixon, Mrs. J. L. McMillan and Mrs. W. H. Sikes. After some time spent in conversation, the guests were ushered into the dining room by Mrs. J. H. Townsend. The room was lovely with pink candles and potted plants. Pink and white cream and cake, coffee and mint were served by Miss Margaret Bule, Gladys Toon, Sarah Dixon and Margaret Vardell. On leaving the dining room, the guests were given favors of Cupids, wish-bones and rings, while the bride-to-be was given a miniature bride and groom.

Misses Elsie McGill, Wyatt McKinnon, Nancy P. McKibbin and Mr. Rufus McQueen went over to the Sandhill Farm Life School near Carthage a week ago and organized a Scottish Society, which is a branch of the Scottish Society of America. This society will probably be called the Scottish Society of Moore County and the Secretary of the Scottish Society of America hopes to organize all the counties of the Cape Fear section into live enthusiastic branches of the parent society, which is national in scope and purpose.

Major and Mrs. Armstrong and little daughter, of Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bullock. Major Armstrong, who has been in the United States Army for about twenty-five years, is not only a West Point graduate, but also an alumnus of Amherst College. He now is interested in acquiring land and hopes to spend the remainder of his life in the peaceful pursuits of Agriculture, which he thinks is to be found in his happiest form in the sunny South. Major Armstrong, therefore, is prospecting for farming lands in this section of North Carolina. Red Springs hopes that he may "take a claim" in territory contiguous to her borders.

Miss Mary Porter, of the Junior class in Flora Macdonald College, was elected first vice president of the North Carolina Association of Student Volunteers, which held its conference in Greensboro last week.

Miss Ellen Robinson, of North Wilkesboro, was a week-end visitor at Flora Macdonald.

Miss Louise Williams, of Dunn and a member of the 1917 class in Flora Macdonald College, has been called home on account of the sudden death of her brother, which occurred in Texas on the 15th.

MISS CARA HOLLAND HOSTESS TO "LITTLE CONFEDERATES."

Warsaw, N. C., March 15.—Miss Cara Holland was hostess to the Little Confederate chapter, C. of C., on last Tuesday afternoon. Her home was attractively decorated with spring flowers for the occasion. The monthly historical programme was supplemented with an additional one prepared by the programme committee. This consisted of recitations by Misses Martha Best and Dorothy Woodard, a vocal quartette by Misses Evelyn Anderson, Martha Gresham, Fannie Monroe and Cora Holland; a piano solo, Miss Elizabeth Anderson; a song, Misses Bessie Berden, Martha Best and Elizabeth Anderson. A number greatly enjoyed was the vocal solo by Miss Edna Hammond, teacher of expression in the Warsaw school. The hostess assisted by Misses Elizabeth Anderson and Cora Holland served an enjoyable salad course. Punch was served to the guests on their entrance. Two members, Misses Leone Best and Dorothy Woodard, were admitted.

The monthly meeting of the James Kenan Chapter, U. D. C., was held at the home of Mrs. W. L. Hill on last Wednesday afternoon. The time was utilized in transacting the chapter's business.

Miss Mankie Noble is spending the week with relatives in Rocky Mount. Mrs. John H. Carter has as her guest Mrs. Moseley Hussey, of Wilson.

Mrs. Edward Gibson, and little son left last Sunday night for Boston to join Lieutenant Gibson.

After spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Anderson, Miss Louise Anderson has returned to Meredith College.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Haslett spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Long at Burgaw.

The Woman's Club held an important meeting on last Thursday afternoon, when many matters of importance, which had been neglected on account of inclement weather, received attention. It was decided to raise an amount for the educational endowment fund at once and Mrs. Edward Gibson was appointed a committee of one to make the collection. Mrs. D. E. Best was made chairman of the cemetery committee, and will appoint a day early in April for "Cemetery Clean-Up Day", when all members of the club are requested to be on hand and help with the work.

Mrs. John A. Ricks was appointed chairman of the park committee, with the object of converting the school grounds into a public park.

Much interest was evinced in the district club meeting to be held in Wallace on the 24th of March, and delegates were appointed as follows: Mrs. H. L. Stevens, president of club; Mrs. W. L. Hill, chairman of literature department; Mrs. Clarence Brown, chairman of music department; Mrs. C. J. Womack, civic department, and Mrs. Charles Carroll, publicity chairman. In addition several other members are expected to attend.

A business meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church was held at the home of the president, Mrs. Claude Woodard, on Monday afternoon. After the business was transacted the hostess served a refreshing ice course.

MRS. S. W. COOPER HOSTESS TO THE WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB
Fayetteville, N. C., March 17.—Mrs. S. W. Cooper was hostess to the Woman's Study club Thursday afternoon at her home on Anderson street. Interesting and informative papers on the present European situation and the crisis facing this nation were read by Mrs. W. S. Sikes, Mrs. Hunter Smith and Mrs. John R. Tolar, Jr. in the dining room, where a salad course was served, a color scheme of yellow was effectively carried out. The centerpiece was of jonquils.

A dozen friends were guests of Mrs. S. M. Davis Wednesday afternoon when she entertained at her attractive Haymont home in honor of Mrs. Carl Voelcker, of New York, who is the house guest of Mrs. J. R. Tolar, Jr. Delightful refreshments were served.

Mrs. Chas. G. Rose entertained Tuesday at a beautifully appointed luncheon in honor of Miss Mary Hauser, of Augusta, Ga., who is visiting relatives in the city. A course luncheon was served, covered being laid for ten. Spring flowers and ferns contained in a crystal ball formed the centerpiece. Mrs. Rose's guests were Miss Hauser, Miss Bessie McNeill, of Laurinburg; Miss Elizabeth Robinson, Miss Jean Pemberton, Mrs. A. S. Dockery, Mrs. Colin McAllister, Mrs. George McNeill, Mrs. R. Bailey Evans and Mrs. A. S. Rose.

Mrs. W. A. Vanstony was hostess to the Coterie club last week at her handsome home on Haymont. The programme was read by an interesting paper on continuing the club's study of American literature, read by Mrs. R. M. Lightfoot. Articles on Manila and the Philippines were read by Mrs. J. M. Lilly and Mrs. W. A. West. Miss Majorie Spencer, Mrs. Richard Gobbs and Mrs. M. L. Smoot rendered a musical programme, while Master William Alfred Vanstony presided at the Victrola. Refreshments embellished with white carnations were served.

The Tea and Topic club was entertained by Mrs. C. W. Rankin Thursday afternoon. Interesting papers on gems and on Marie Antoinette were read by Mrs. Albert Stewart and Miss Mary Gorman, respectively. Current events were reviewed. Sandwiches, tea and candy were served.

Mrs. S. W. Cooper entertained last Thursday in honor of Miss Gretchen Voelcker, of New York, who is the guest of Mrs. John R. Tolar, Jr. The following were Mrs. Cooper's guests: Miss Voelcker, Miss Mary Smith, Miss Virginia Smith, Miss Lucy London Anderson, Miss Sallie Haigh Underwood, Miss Emma Pemberton, Miss Irene Walker, Miss Coma McCaskill, Miss Sophronia Cooper and Mrs. John H. Cook. The prize in a guessing contest was won by Miss Virginia Smith. Refreshments were served.

The Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church was entertained Wednesday evening by Misses Annie and Louise Watson at their home on Haymont. After a business meeting a social hour was enjoyed. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake, followed by mints, were served. The St. Patrick's idea was brought out in the green cream and the shamrock favors.

GREENSBORO SOCIAL NEWS OF THE WEEK OF INTEREST

Greensboro, N. C., March 17.—Mrs. C. Harold Andrews entertained the Thursday Bridge club this week at her home at Pomona, the honoree being Miss Cora Vaughan, of Franklin, Va., who is the house guest of Mrs. DeWitt Kase. Mrs. James T. Morehead, Jr., won the prize for the highest score, a pair of silk hose. The hostess served a delicious salad course.

The Thursday Afternoon Bridge club met this week with Mrs. R. J. Mebane at her home on Sunset Drive, Irving Park. The club prize was won by Mrs. Julia P. Mebane and the guests' prize by Miss Mary Louise Barclay, of Louisville, Ky., who is the guest of Mrs. H. R. Bush.

Mrs. Charles Roberson, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. M. B. Hill, left last week for Jacksonville, Fla., where she will spend a month as the guest of her brother, Roland G. Hill, who is with a moving picture corporation in that city.

Mrs. J. M. Milliken entertained the Reviewers' club Thursday afternoon at her home on Summit avenue. The topic for discussion was Thomas Dixon, Jr., his writings and plays. This club is making a study of North Carolina writers.

The members of the junior class of the Greensboro high school entertained the members of the senior class Friday evening with a patriotic masquerade party at the Country Club. This annual event was planned on a more elaborate scale than ever before, and the party was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Miss Mary Jordan and Francis Jordan spent the week end at Overhill, where their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. F. Jordan, are entertaining a party of New Yorkers at their hunting lodge.

Miss Nellie Bain arrived Monday evening, from Mary Baldwin Seminary, near Staunton, Va., to spend the spring holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bain, at 300 South Spring street. A delightful meeting of the Friday Afternoon Book club was held Saturday afternoon with Mrs. G. W. Whitsett at her home on church street. Two very interesting papers, "The Social and Industrial Life of Russia" and "The City of Moscow," were read. After the programme, the hostess served a dainty salad course.

The Farm Sept club was entertained

by Miss Kate Thomas this week, in honor of the president, Miss Mary Sanders, who leaves this week for Charlotte, where she will make her home in the future. Miss Sanders was also honoree at a three-course progressive dinner Saturday evening, given by Misses Mary and Eva Thomas, Miss Mary Morrison and Misses Beulah and Nell Brady.

Miss Jennie Vanstony was hostess to the Entre Nous club Wednesday afternoon at her home at 224 North Elm street.

The Greensboro Chapter of the Alumnae Association of Greensboro College for Women has issued invitation to an at home to be given March 20th at the college. This is intended to be an occasion for a general rally of "G. F. C." and "G. C. W." students.

MISS PARSONS HOSTESSES AT ELABORATE SOCIAL EVENT

Rockingham, N. C., March 16.—The most elaborate social event of the week was when Misses Rosa and Jennie Parsons entertained the members of the Saturday Afternoon Bridge Club and a number of additional guests. Suggestive of Saint Patrick's the interior of the home was gay with greens of the brightest shades. At the door the arriving guests were cordially welcomed by the hostesses and directed to the cloak rooms. Upon assembling in the front parlor, partners for the game were matched by drawing tally cards from a big green box made of shamrock and held up by shamrocks, each capped with a pretty Erin fan. The places were found and the game afforded untiring interest and amusement throughout the five exciting rounds.

Favors of my green hats, pointed plants, heart shaped boxes filled with candy were an added attraction of the evening. For scoring highest among the club members, Mrs. E. G. Scott won the prize, two dainty handkerchiefs embroidered in green. The visitors prize, a beautiful green satin heart shaped box, filled with the choicest candies went to Mrs. F. W. Leak. Little Mamie-Leak Payne and Anna Soules Parsons passed the napkins while the hostesses served a delightful course of chicken croquets, green peas in patties, potato chips, hot rolls, and coffee. Those playing were: Mrs. W. C. Leak, Mrs. F. W. Leak, Mrs. W. F. Long, Jr., Mrs. E. G. Scott, Mrs. J. Adams, Mrs. J. M. Lebetter, Mrs. Thomas McRae, Mrs. Hill Parsons, Mrs. John Armistead, Mrs. A. S. Dockery, Misses Bernice Turner, Flora Cooper, Ernestine Nuttall, Lillian Long, Sarah Cockery, Marguerite Paschal, Susie Russell, Lucy Fowler, Both Thomas Kathryn McDonald and Mrs. Jake Hinson.

The Study Club had a charming meeting Friday afternoon with Mrs. F. W. Leak as hostess at her attractive home on Linden Avenue. Pretty jonquils and early spring flowers were effectively used to decorate the room in which the session was held. The subject of study for the afternoon was "William Shakespeare." Each member answered to roll call with a quotation from Shakespeare. A classification of his plays was given by Miss Susie Russell, Mrs. A. S. Dockery read "Some of Shakespeare's Comedies," and Miss Elina Covington read an interesting paper on Shakespeare since 1616. A delightful vocal solo "Florian's Song" by Godard was sung by Mrs. E. G. Scott.

Miss Elina Warburton was the delightful hostess to her Set Back Club on Monday night at her home on Fifth Avenue. Three tables were placed in the sitting room where a spirited game was enjoyed throughout the evening. At the close of which the hostess served delicious cream and cake. Those enjoying Miss Warburton's hospitality were: Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Guthrie, Mrs. John Morrison, Mrs. R. E. Lea, Miss Susie Russell, Miss Mollie Long, Messrs. William Croeland, E. H. Aycock, and Perry West.

Mr. Bob Ledbetter, Miss Mollie Long, Miss Sarah Dockery, and Mr. M. Stancill Covington motored to Carthage on last Friday returning by way of Pinehurst, where they stopped for dinner.

With Miss Ruth Harrison as hostess at her home on South Elm street, the Thimble Club had a thoroughly enjoyable meeting on Monday afternoon. While the members sewed on various pieces of dainty handwork, Miss Wilma Stancill read aloud and another feature of the afternoon was the piano music of Miss Harrison. Light refreshments were served to Miss Rosa Parsons, Miss Jennie Parsons, Miss Wilma Stancill, and Miss Kathryn McDonald.

Mrs. John Ledbetter has returned from Washington where she attended the Inauguration. Mrs. Ledbetter has as her guests her sister, Mrs. A. S. Alfred, and Mrs. Clanton, of Melburn, Ga.

Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Ledbetter and little daughter, Martha Elizabeth, left on Monday night for Hawthorne, Florida, where they will join Mrs. Ledbetter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Steele, for the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. W. L. Stancill left Friday morning for Greensboro where she will be the guest of her sister, Mrs. Thomas Crabtree. She will be joined for the week end by her daughter, Miss Octavia Scales, who is a student at Salem College.

Mr. Walter Storey of Burlington spent Saturday and Sunday in town with friends.

Miss Faith Covington is in Greensboro visiting her cousin, Mrs. I. W. Murphy. Mrs. Murphy before her marriage was Miss Keith Covington of Wilmington.

Miss Sally Boddie spent last Saturday and Sunday in Durham with her parents.

CLARKTON SOCIAL AND OTHER NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST

Clarkton, N. C., March 17.—The following program was given by the Mercer Literary Society of the Clarkton High school on last Friday afternoon: Instrumental Solo, "Floresce Waltz," Miss Margaret Clark; Male Quartette, Messrs. E. C. Shockley, J. K. Clark, LeRoy Burney, and Worth Shaw; Mixed double quartette, Misses Bessie Smith, Minnie Ruth Wooten, Faye Ritchie and Lois Owens, Messrs. J. K. Clark, LeRoy Burney, Filthugh Clark and Worth Shaw; Jokes, Miss Theolina Keith and Mr. Filthugh Clark; Essay, "Decelt," Mr. LeRoy Burney; Reading, "The Blind Child's Prayer," Miss Minnie Ruth Wooten.

Mrs. C. Monroe, of Bladen Springs, passed through town Monday enroute to Cumberland, where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. W. H. Goodman entertained a few of her young friends on Friday evening at a 6 o'clock dinner. Those enjoying Mrs. Goodman's hospitality were Misses Katharine Lapsley, Amanda Clark, Emma Kelly; Janie and Mary Russ, Isabel Cromartie, Amelia Wooten and Edith Sloan.

The "call of the road," attracted a number of the young people to try a "hike" to Abbottsburg on Monday evening, returning on No. 20 at 10:30. The party was composed of Mr. J. K. Clark with Miss Emma Kelly; Mr. Edwin Phifer with Miss Polly Russ; Mr. Carl Owen with Miss Isabel Cromartie; Mr. Sidney Meares, Jr., with Miss Faye Ritchie; Mr. Melvaine Wooten with Miss Janie Russ. Being rather unaccustomed to such strenuous exercise, it is said that some of the young ladies are still feeling the effects of such a long stroll.

Rev. W. H. Goodman left Monday to attend the Sunday School Institutes at

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Keep it handy, Mother! A little given today saves a sick child tomorrow, but get the genuine. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly on the bottle. Remember there are counterfeits sold here, so surely look and see that yours is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.

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WILL TALK ON GARDENING

Mr. J. P. Herring, Farm Demonstrator, to Speak to Members of National Special Aid Society.

(Continued.)

Mr. J. P. Herring will talk to the ladies of the Agricultural Department of the Wilmington Chapter of the National Special Aid Society Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the High School auditorium. It is of the utmost importance that there should be a representative audience to hear Mr. Herring. He is going to lecture on the fundamental principles of farming, dwelling chiefly on soils—how to prepare them and when to plant.

No woman can neglect to know something of this great matter. Every woman should have at least a little garden and should be making some effort to avert the great food shortage from which we are suffering and from which we are going to suffer a great deal more unless we come to our own rescue.

The world's crops have failed. In every foreign language paper of the world they are talking about it. The lack of food is a serious matter over the situation. Vorwarts, a progressive Berlin paper, announces that the world's supply of food has run short; the Spanish edition of the World's Work, La Revista, acknowledges that we are facing a food crisis. English and American papers and magazines solemnly warn the people that they cannot expect the farmers to feed them unless they help. Belgium and France are partly out of commission; Holland, which has always been a garden spot, is not able to do her usual part in supplying the markets; the Russians are too busy rebelling against a government that will not feed them to think very much about the wherewithal for the morrow.

We cannot make the appeal too strong. We beg you women to come as a patriotic duty. If you are as rich as Carnegie, come anyhow and learn how to teach your neighbors. If you are so poor that you cannot afford to buy an onion, come and learn how to raise them and be independent of un-patriotic speculators who shut up foodstuffs in warehouses to wait for better prices, and of railroad brotherhoods that call strikes just as the nation is about to enter upon a most critical period.

The chairman of the agricultural department is Mrs. Charles Worth, who has been a very successful home gardener. She has plans for the cultivation of waste places which will mean the greatest blessing to the very poor people. She cannot carry out any of these plans unless she has the operation and firm backing of the women of the town. She needs women who will come and get instruction about soil and about planting and who will take a squad of boys and show them how to cultivate and to plant. The mothers could help greatly in this. They could encourage their boys to help out the town in its day of necessity, they might even exercise a little persuasion in this direction and make the boys feel the sense of responsibility to answer the call which should be sacred.

One of the plans of the department is to cultivate vacant lots and allow the boys who do the work a certain share in the produce raised. The truck will be sold at low rates to the very poor who cannot afford to pay 25 cents for a cabbage and 10 cents for an onion.

The publicity committee is giving the greatest publicity to the movement that is possible, but many people do not read the papers. Let us beg those who see this notice to pass it on to others and let us have 400 women at Mr. Herring's meeting. We would be glad to have everybody come, but we are limited in seating capacity. It is his patriotic duty to give us the ounce of prevention, and he does so for nothing for he well knows no sure can be made by a farmer when the disease is diagnosed as starvation.

MANY DELIGHTFUL FEATURES IN THE AMATEUR PLAY.

Rehearsals for "The Affinities" will commence Wednesday of this week. The cast committee for "The Affinities" will on Monday and Tuesday ask all the talented young people of Wilmington to assist in the making of this production. It is hoped that no one will refuse to lend their talent in making this play a success for the cause for which it is being presented is a most worthy one.

"The Affinities" is a clever and up-to-date as a musical comedy could be. The opening scene is a prologue and is laid in the boudoir of "Peggy Thurston," an heiress. The first and second acts take place out West where 13 principal characters, and about 100 are required to take part in the various beautiful choruses.

Little girls between the ages of five and eight will be Blue Birds. Boys from eight to 12 will be the Indian maid. The "Dance of Spring" will be executed by about 20 girls from 12 to 14 years of age, these being wood nymphs. Girls and boys between the ages of 14 and 16 will be the "Argentine Chorus." Little girls from nine to 12 will take part in a unique Hawaiian dance. High School girls will be Western girls, and the young men, cowboys. They will execute the "Texas Tommy" dance. Wilmington young debutantes are asked to appear in the beautiful "Debutante Chorus." The "Century Girls Chorus" in which there will be golf, tennis, riding, skating, seashore, summer and more girls will be one of the most attractive choruses in the entire play. Another delightful chorus will be the "Sweethearts Chorus." Then last, but by no means least, there will be the "Suffragettes." They will simply "sing down the house" in their interpretation.

At the close of the first act there will be a patriotic grand march, or pageant. The play is also replete with beautiful solos, duets and solo dances. The rehearsal will be on Wednesday of this week. The time and place will be announced later. It is hoped that the committee will meet with a generous response.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: L. L. Barnes, Bolton; J. C. Strickland, Raleigh; McEl Roberson, Fayetteville.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: T. D. Johnson, T. G. Johnson, Ivanhoe; J. J. Strand, Southern Pines; G. S. Miller, Winston-Salem; J. B. Doughty, Raleigh; J. P. Lawder, Swannboro; A. H. Hattis, Swannboro; A. C. York, Raleigh.

Large lots and five acre tracts at Highwood Friday—(adv.)

TO OPERATE LUNCHEONETTES

Chairs of Cafeterias to be Conducted With Headquarters in Wilmington. Two Companies.

Charters will be applied for tomorrow for the Southern Finance Corporation, which will be the organizing and installing company for a chain of luncheonettes or cafeterias, which it is proposed to operate in North and South Carolina, Florida and Georgia, and also for the Luncheonette Corporation, which will conduct a cafeteria in Wilmington.

The promoter of both these companies is Mr. Frank D. Fuller, who came to Wilmington a few weeks ago from Richmond, Va., and he has associated with him in the enterprise a number of local business men, among them being Mr. George H. Bellamy, of Brunswick county; Mr. Moore Harris and Mr. Harry Latta, a well known hotel man of Wilson. The new company will have offices on the fifth floor of the Southern building.

Negotiations are under way for securing the Cotner building, corner Front and Princess streets, formerly occupied by Woodall and Sheppard, and Mr. Fuller states that it is hoped to be able to have the local cafeteria in operation in a short time. Wilmington is to be headquarters for the proposed chain of eating places throughout the South.

Mr. Fuller states that the holding corporation will be purely co-operative and that only a limited number of shares will be sold to any stockholder. He is very enthusiastic over the enterprise and believes that it can be made a great success.

NO EMBARGO ON COAST LINE

Freight Shipments on This Road and Also on Seaboard Continued Yesterday as Usual.

While other railroads were hastening to put on embargoes because of the threatened strike, both the Atlantic Coast Line and the Seaboard Air Line "sat steady in the boat" and received shipments of freight as usual, subject only to the restrictions necessary on consignments to connecting roads that had declared embargoes.

While the Coast Line officials have not put on any embargo, they have watched the situation carefully and have been prepared to act quickly, should it become necessary. Otherwise business has gone on as usual. There was much relief yesterday afternoon when it was learned that the proposed strike had been called off for 48 hours. The opinion generally was that this was equivalent to calling it off permanently as no doubt was entertained but that the railroad men and the Brotherhood chiefs would be able to get together on a satisfactory settlement of differences before the time limit had expired.

Some of the clerks in the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line in their enthusiasm to prove themselves loyal to the system volunteered their services in any capacity that they could be used in the event of a strike. This was presented to the officials in written form so that there could be no doubt about it. The clerks generally have been in sympathy with the railroad.

There was little discussion yesterday locally regarding the merits of the controversy, the chief concern being to know whether or not there was to be a strike. Newspaper bulletin boards were scanned eagerly while constant inquiries came in over the telephones in the newspaper offices as to the outcome of the conference in New York.

POULTRY CLUB TO MEET.

Plans to be Made for Show Next Fall at Meeting Tuesday Night.

Plans for holding a big poultry show next fall in connection with the Corn Show will be discussed at a meeting of the New Hanover Poultry Association in the Council chamber of the City Hall next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. Other matters of interest to chicken fanciers will be discussed and it is important that all those interested in poultry attend the meeting.

The call for the meeting was issued last night by Mr. J. E. LeGwin, the energetic and enthusiastic president of the local organization. Mr. LeGwin has talked with many of the local fanciers and he believes that there are bright prospects for having one of the best poultry shows in Eastern North Carolina next fall.

John Miller Seriously Wounded by John Miller, colored, was shot and seriously wounded by Johnson Moore, also colored, at the latter's residence on North Eighth street shortly before midnight last night. He was shot with a pistol, the bullet striking him in the abdomen and glancing. He was removed to the hospital. His wounds are not considered fatal.

According to information obtained at police headquarters, Miller was cursing in the vicinity of Moore's house, and when the latter asked him to desist they became involved in a difficulty that led up to the shooting. Moore has not been apprehended.

\$25,000 CONTRACT AWARDED

For Building a Short Piece of Road at Rocky Mount.

Rocky Mount, N. C., March 17.—Bids from upwards of a dozen contractors were received by the board of aldermen last night for the improving of Falls road for a distance of almost a mile between Thomas street and the town of Rocky Mount mills line. The sessions of the aldermen were necessary for a final decision as to the kind of paving and the exact repair that was to be made, this road having previously been built by the city with waterbound macadam which has proven an utter failure. The contract for the work was given to the R. G. Lassiter Co., of this State, at an outlay of approximately \$25,000—the work to be done during the coming spring and summer months.

—Maj. A. Greig, Jr., U. S. A., who was for four years inspector-instructor of the North Carolina Artillery Corps of the National Guard, and who was recently assigned to Fort Caswell, will pass through Wilmington today en route to his new post. While in the city he will be cordially greeted by his many personal friends here.

PLANT WILL START MONDAY

Swift Fertilizer Plant Only Stopped Temporarily—Will Take Care of All Orders Promptly.

Although forced to shut down yesterday on account of a lack of some materials but chiefly to make some much needed repairs, the big fertilizer plant of Swift & Company, located on the Cape Fear river above Wilmington, will positively resume operations Monday morning, Mr. T. J. Ellis, the superintendent of the plant, declared last night.

As to the shortage of materials, while it has been difficult to get tankage from the Western packing centers on account of a lack of freight cars, Mr. Ellis states that his company has plenty of material to meet all demands. It was fortunate in getting an abundance of pyrites early in the season and has a sufficient supply to last until September, even if the City of Wilmington, which has been chartered to bring a cargo from Spain, should not be able to bring in a new supply.

Mr. Ellis stated last night that his company has on hand enough fertilizer materials, either manufactured or in process of manufacture, to supply all orders and that the railroad were furnishing plenty of cars for outgoing shipments, so that customers would have no difficulty in getting their fertilizers.

Mr. Ellis explained that the same difficulty that his plant faces in getting materials has been experienced by other local fertilizer manufacturing plants but that all of them have in eight enough to take care of immediate needs and he felt quite sure that all needs could be supplied.

The demand for fertilizers this year has been much heavier than for any year since 1914. The shipments by the Swift plant are already in excess of last year and the total tonnage for the season will be practically twice that of last season. All orders have been taken care of promptly and Mr. Ellis complimented both the Atlantic Coast Line and the Seaboard Air Line for the promptness with which they have handled his business. Mr. Ellis' statements have been substantiated by other local fertilizer manufacturers, who state that on the whole the freight service has been entirely satisfactory for outgoing shipments.

The difficulty in getting materials from the West has been largely due to the embargoes put on by Western roads. The Eastern roads are exerting every effort to bring in the shipments as quickly as possible. The shortage only applies to certain materials and while the smaller plants have suffered in this regard, the larger factories have been able to lay in a sufficient supply to take care of the demand. Orders for fertilizers have come in earlier this season than usual they have been able to guard against possible shortage by putting in orders for material earlier than usual.

MISSION AT THE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION THIS WEEK.

Wilmington Episcopal Rectors Will Join in Special Services.

There will be a mission or series of services at the Church of the Ascension, Third and Marsteller streets, beginning Sunday night, March 18. The speakers and subjects for the week will be as follows:

Sunday, March 18, 3 P. M.—Speaker, Rev. G. F. Hill. Subject, "Personal Service."

Monday, 8 P. M.—Speaker, Rev. R. E. Gribbin. Subject, "Prayer."

Tuesday, 8 P. M.—Speaker, Rev. Thos. P. Noe. Subject, "The Marching Orders."

Wednesday, 8 P. M.—Speaker, Rev. E. deF. Head. Subject, "Reality in the Christian Life."

Thursday, 8 P. M.—Speaker, Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton. Subject, "Seeking First the Kingdom of God."

Friday, 8 P. M.—Speaker, Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton. Subject, "The Accepted Time for Decisions."

Sunday, 8 P. M.—Speaker, Rev. G. F. Hill. Subject, "Cleaned in Going."

There will be a song service each night, beginning at 7:30 and lasting 30 minutes. The public cordially invited to attend all the services.

GOVERNOR TO BE URGED TO PARDON CASHIER THOMAS

All Shortage of Beaufort Man Made Good—His Parole May 15th.

New Bern, N. C., March 17.—If there is any possible way to secure a pardon for Thomas Thomas, of Beaufort, who was yesterday sentenced to a term of two years in the State prison for the embezzlement of the funds of the Bank of Beaufort, of which he was cashier, and for making false entries on the books, the people of that section are going to do so.

Thomas has been given until May 15 to make an effort to induce Governor Eicher to grant him leniency and great pressure will be brought to bear in order to have the Governor take action in the matter.

Thomas and his relatives have made good every penny of the shortage and the people of Carteret county believe that he has been more sinned against than sinning himself and are standing by him in his fight to avoid going to prison, it is reported here.



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SOCIAL

(Continued from Page Eight.)
Burgaw and Atkinson on Tuesday and Wednesday. Returning home Thursday morning he and Mrs. Goodman, accompanied by Mrs. J. E. L. Winnick and little daughter, Mary Drouhan, and Mr. E. C. Clark, motored over to White Plains to attend the Institute there. Others attending from here were Mrs. G. L. Clark; Mrs. Emma Kelley and Mrs. W. T. Fisher.

Mr. J. R. Kelly, of Wilmington, spent Wednesday night and Thursday with his mother, Mrs. Emma Kelly.

The A. McFadyen Missionary Band held a very interesting meeting with Miss Lillie Belle Phifer on Tuesday evening. Interesting papers on "Sunday School Extension" were read by Misses Amanda Clark and Maurice Taylor. After the business meeting a very delightful social hour was enjoyed. Hot chocolate and Marguerites were served by Miss Lillie Belle Phifer.

Miss Thelma Keith, a student of the Clarksburg High School, spent the week-end with her folks at Kelly. She was accompanied back by Miss Eloise Smith, who was a guest of Mrs. Alex Register several days.

Mrs. D. T. McNeill, after a visit of a week to relatives in town, returned Monday to her home in Conway, S. C.

Mr. Clarence Frazier, of Wilmington, was a business visitor yesterday.

Miss H. A. Johnston returned to her home at Rowland Tuesday, after a three weeks visit to homefolks.

Mrs. M. B. McAulay, of Acme, came up Tuesday to see her sister, Miss Amelia Wooten, who we are sorry to state is quite sick.

Little Francis Stegall, the attractive two-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Stegall, met with what might have been a serious accident on Thursday afternoon by overturning a box of concentrated lye. Her right arm and one side of her face were right badly burned, but medical aid was promptly secured, and beyond having a bandaged arm and a plaster on her cheek, the little lady seems none the worse for her adventure, and it is believed will soon recover. Mr. Stegall, who underwent a serious operation for appendicitis in a hospital in Richmond, Va., two weeks ago, is, we are glad to state, improving rapidly.

Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Wooten, from Western Prong, have moved into the McFadyen cottage, on Columbus street. Dr. Wooten is a popular young dentist who has been practicing his profession here for some months, and his many friends are glad to welcome him to his new home.

Quite a number from here went up to Bladenboro Thursday evening for the "Alabama Minstrels." Among those who went were Mr. I. A. Singletary and Miss Laura Bunting; Mr. E. Parsons and Miss Margaret Clark; Mr. Sidney Moore, Jr., and Miss Faye Riche; Mr. Ira Smith and Misses Thelma Keith and Lois Owens; Mr. Alex Owens and Miss Mattie Lee Johnston; Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Brown, Messrs. O. L. Clark, Jr. A. K. Brown, W. B. Townsend, Dewy Curtis, Spencer Clark, John Edwards, E. H. Warren and Dr. E. E. Clark.

Miss Edith Sloan, who spent the winter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Currie, left a few days ago for Charlotte.

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Goodman are spending today in Fayetteville.

Miss Polly Russ returned yesterday afternoon from a short visit to relatives and friends at Bladen Springs.

Why We Have Tired, Worn-out Nerve and Thin Blood in the Springtime

(By Dr. S. W. BOWER.)

At this time of the year most people suffer from a condition often called Spring Fever. They feel tired, worn out, before the day is half thru. They may have frequent headaches and sometimes "drip" or pale skin and white lips. The reason for this is that during the winter, shut up within doors, eating too much meat and too little green vegetables, one accumulates fuel into the system which is not burned up and the clinkers remain to poison the system—a clogging up of the circulation, with inactive liver and kidneys.

The best means to oil the machinery of the body, put to rest the liver, kidneys and circulatory system, is to first practice a good house-cleaning. I know of nothing better as a purge than a vegetable pill made up of May apple, leaves of aloe and jalap. This is commonly sold by all druggists as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, and should be taken at least once a week to clear the twenty-five feet of intestine.

For an invigorating tonic which will clarify the blood, put new life in the body, sparkle to the eyes, and a wholesome skin, nothing does so well as a glyceric herb extract made from Golden Seal root, Blood and Stone root, Oregon grape root and Wild cherry bark. This can be had in convenient ready-to-use form at all drug stores, in tablets or liquid, and has been sold for the past fifty years as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. By reason of the nerves feeling the blood, when the blood is pure the nerves feel the effect, and neuralgia or other nerve pains disappear because such pain is the cry of the starved nerves for food.

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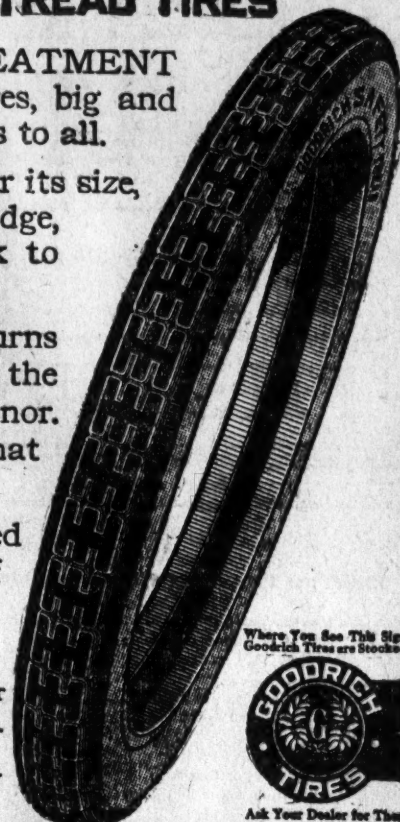
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We would be remiss in our duty if we did not pass this on to you, because had it not been for your excellent service and the intelligent co-operation of your long distance operator on Sunday we would have been unable to locate the family of a young man found dead, with no marks of identification other than some numbers, which, through your assistance, proved to be telephone numbers of friends in another city.

The conduct of our business calls for service in its fullest sense, and as ninety per cent of our business comes to us through the medium of the telephone, we are accustomed to rely on your service in matters of this kind. We want you to know that we appreciate your efforts to give the best service in the country.

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THE DIFFERENCE

British and German Methods of Establishing a Blockade.
By J. Frank Hanly.

The following is an editorial written by Hon. J. Frank Hanly and published in his paper, the National Enquirer, of Indianapolis, Ind., and is published at the request of a subscriber, who considers it "a clear explanation of international law relative to the British and German methods of establishing a blockade," a subject on which he thinks few are well versed:

When President Wilson severed diplomatic relations between this country and Germany, we wrote an editorial endorsing his action and bespeaking for him the support of the American people.

We thought we wrote with restraint and moderation and in defense of the clear and unquestionable rights of the American people.

For reasons which will become obvious by the reading of what follows, we have just re-read it, and now republish it on page nine of this issue of the National Enquirer under the title under which it first appeared, and respectfully request our readers to re-read it in connection with what here appears.

Two of our readers—one a man, residing in Pennsylvania, the other a woman, living in California—have written in sharp criticism of our utterance, one of them—the woman—ordering the immediate cancellation of her subscription.

We quote from the letter of the man: "In your editorial 'To the Uttermost, Mr. President,' I take some decided exceptions. Your first part is good, true, right. The premises are all right, but your conclusion is wrong, narrow, prejudiced, unfair. Like most of the jingo papers, you utterly fail to apply your premises to England, but come with your unfair censure to Germany. You surely know England first blockaded German ports, stopped her ships, mail, trade, and those of other neutrals, but we did not stop diplomatic relations, but like dumb sheep, said little and did less; but now, after men, women and children of a whole nation have been brought to the verge of starvation and Germany declares a blockade against the allies' ports, the jingo press sets up a howl and you say, 'To the Uttermost, Mr. President.'"

"Had you applied the principles you laid down, to England and Germany, alike, your editorial would have been sound, good, impartial."

"I voted for you; have been a prohibitionist since 1884. I am sorry to see a prohibition paper so unfair and one-sided as to warring nations."

It is evident that the writer of this criticism has a far better command of the facts of the case than we have, and we are moved by pro-German prejudices rather than by facts.

We were not unfair to Germany in the editorial mentioned either in premise, fact or conclusion.

We pointed out the fact that the high seas are world-highways—trade-paths for all peoples; and that no nation could permit another nation to close them to it by mere fiat of proclamation, without surrendering its sovereignty, losing its own self-respect and inviting the contempt of the world.

By treaties and international law, the inherent right to the free use of the high seas has been modified to permit blockades in time of war, of the coast and the immediate channels of approach thereto, of one belligerent country by another.

Such blockades give the right of search and seizure, subject always to judicial review for redress if the seizure is not justified.

MANY LIKE THIS IN WILMINGTON

Similar Cases Being Published in Each Issue.

The following case is but one of many occurring daily in Wilmington. It is an easy matter to verify it. You cannot, for better proof, get C. W. Hollowbush, director of Academy of Music, E. Market St. Road, Wilmington, says: "My back ached and throbbed so that I could hardly endure it. When I got down to pick up anything, I couldn't straighten without a great deal of pain. My kidneys didn't act regularly. The kidney secretions contained sediment, were painful and highly colored. I doctored and tried different medicines, but got no better. Finally, I used Dean's Kidney Pills, procured at L. B. Sasser's Drug Store. When I had finished two boxes, my back felt as sound as ever, my kidneys acted regularly and in every way, I felt like a different man."

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It gives no right to take the lives of non-combatants, or even to destroy ships, unless the ship makes a defense, or tries to escape. The right to surrender is absolute. And when surrender is made the right of protection of life and of ship is imperative.

But a blockade to be lawful and within belligerent rights must be physical, visible and effective, within and throughout the prescribed area.

Great Britain has established such a blockade of Germany's coast and of the approaches thereto.

The British fleet effectively controls by its sea power all passages to or from Germany by sea. Her blockade is physical, visible and effective, and is, therefore, valid under international law.

It is precisely such a blockade as our government effected, maintained and upheld under Abraham Lincoln as to the Confederate States throughout the Civil War.

If it be said that its effect is the starvation of the German people, the answer is, then the German people must either break the blockade by the destruction of the enemy ships that maintain it, or confess themselves vanquished and sue for peace.

In the case of the Confederate States they were unable to break the Federal blockade, and were, therefore, compelled to surrender.

Could the South have had the freedom of the seas for the securing of food, clothing and munitions, the War Between the States would have been indefinitely prolonged.

Under the rules of international law Germany's effort to free herself from the British blockade must be directed against enemy warships and not against neutral merchantmen, or to the establishment of a blockade of the shores and the approaches thereto, of Great Britain.

Her blockade to be valid must also be physical, visible and effective. This she has not attempted. She has no means with which to establish such a blockade. Her warships dare not venture upon the sea at all, much less appear in such number and with such permanency of presence as to control by cordons all passages by sea to or from Great Britain.

Here is the confession of this from the lips of the German Chancellor, speaking only last week to the German Reichstag:

"As is generally known, we did not declare a blockade, but merely established definite barred zones within which every ship has to count on immediate attack."

There is no effort at a lawful blockade. No cordon of ships. No visible or physical presence of power throughout or within the forbidden zones.

There is simply the effort to close thousands of miles of the high seas by proclamation or paper fiat, to all neutral commerce under pain of death without warning from an invisible power beneath the sea.

As already suggested, the right of blockade gives no right to destroy, or kill, except where there is resistance or attempt to escape. It gives only the right to search and seize, subject to court review for redress, where the seizure is wrongful.

In maintaining her blockade of Germany, Great Britain has no doubt committed many technical breaches of international law. She has seized some ships wrongfully, some of which she has subsequently released. The judgments of her courts have not always been satisfactory to us. She has carried the right of search sometimes beyond the warrant of law. She has withheld American mail and has extended her blockade to the ports of neutral countries contiguous to Germany with doubtful warrant. For this the American government has held and will continue to hold her responsible.

But her offense is as a simple trespass to murder, compared with that of Germany.

Great Britain's blockade in form, visibility and effectiveness fills every requirement of international law. Germany's fills none; does not even attempt to fill any such requirement.

Great Britain exercises the blockade right of search and seizure. Germany makes no pretense at either—she destroys ships far out on the high seas, without opportunity of surrender—enemy and neutral—without regard as to whether they carry contraband or not; and kills without warning non-combatant nationals of countries—our own among them—with whom she is at peace and for whom she professes friendship and regard.

Throughout all the war Great Britain has sunk no ship of ours. Germany has, repeating the crime again and again.

Great Britain has captured and imprisoned no American citizens. Germany has—captured them unlawfully, carried them beyond the sea and still holds them in confinement.

Great Britain has killed no American—man, woman or child.

Germany has. She has murdered men, drowned women and strangled little children—not once, but many times—and proclaims her intention to continue to kill and drown and strangle them.

Great Britain has not used American soil for criminal conspiracies against our laws.

Germany has. Great Britain has not committed arson of either public or private property here under our own flag.

Germany has. Great Britain has not sought to invade other nations to make war upon us, while reiterating friendship.

Germany has. These are some—not all by any means—of the differences between British and German conduct in the treatment of this government and its people.

These are differences so great and fundamental, as to justify peace with one and war with the other.

If our Pennsylvania friend who voted for us in November cannot distinguish these differences we regret it—regret it for him and for his country.

To us they are clear and fundamental and vital, and we shall continue as best we can through the editorial columns of the National Enquirer to make them clear and vital to our readers.

To do less would be cowardice, and of that we have never been accused.

Come on up! HANLY.

SOME THOUGHTS ON LIFE

(Contributed.)
God so loved the world that he gave His Only Begotten Son to redeem it, for there is no respect of persons with God.—(Rom. 2:11).

All nationalities, churches and colors have in this life been given the same blessings of God. The sunshine, rain and product of earth is allowed to benefit all men, and how few there are who appreciate these blessings until they are withheld. The inhabitants of earth consider these things only as works of nature, which is very true, but do they stop to consider who or what it is that controls nature? Effects are the fruits of causes—there was a cause before there could be results, and who caused these results of blessings on man? So other but One—God. Being that knows the secret of all science whose name is God. (Psalm 131:1).

It is a great mystery to all why we are here and how we come to be brought into this world for so short a space of time and then vanish away as if we had never been. And this cause must have its effect, but as yet we can see no effects of this great wonder called life, for in the day man dies his thoughts perish—he returns to the same condition from whence he came. (Psalm 6:5).

Life bears no fruits except that which pertains to advancing the same. Then, why this condition called life? If nothing is the result except that pertaining to it, it bears no fruits except of itself. Was there no reason in the mind of the Great Creator God in forming man except to live while and then die? Man has a purpose in everything he does. If he builds a house he builds it to be occupied. He does not build it and out the cost of how it will look and then tear it down. No, we would call him a foolish man. There is a purpose to everything pertaining to this life that as the Word of God says in (Rom. 1:29) that the visible things of this world are to teach us the invisible things of God. He had a purpose in creating man on earth, which must terminate to His glory. He must be glorified in every man born since Adam, both good and bad, for all were made in the image of the Father and made for His glory. (Gen. 1:1).

He had a purpose in creating both kind for both kind were made for separate purposes. If we search God's Word, eager to learn of His mystery. He will reveal these hidden things to us. (Eph. 3:4).

A foolish man has said in his heart, there is no God, but the heavens declare him (Psalm 115:1). And a foolish man says there is no life after death, but nature declares there is. Nature and God's word are the two witnesses on earth, and if man will apply his mind to studying the things of nature they will teach him the wonderful mystery of life to come.

Christ spoke in parables, taking the things of nature to explain the wonderful things not yet come to pass. He tells us to study the seed and learn of its ways, which if studied will teach us the mystery in part of God's great plan for all the human race. Let us not think God created man to be destroyed. He made him for a purpose and to be glorified in Him. Man, by disobeying God's law, brought himself down into death and into this present dying condition of life.

We are all under condemnation of

death. We lost the perfect life by Adam's transgression, but God loved us all and sent a Savior to redeem us from under the curse of death, for He tasted death for every man. (Rom. 2:9).

He died to redeem all of Adam's lost race for all that are in their graves shall hear His voice and come forth, (John 5:25-28), but not all to the same condition of life. Every man in his order of life. Some will have the perfect life which was lost to Adam, but which has been purchased by a Savior for all mankind. Then, some will have eternal life, which is a gift from God to those who are called to be Sons of God through faith. There are to be two conditions of life given Adam's race. The perfect life restored and the eternal life which belongs only to God the Father and to God the Son and will be given the Saint, the third person, when completed and glorified. (Horn. 5:28-39) (2 Tim. 1:9).

For this very purpose is the Gospel preached to call out a people to be adopted as Sons of God—to that condition of life which belongs only to the God-head or family of God. (Eph. 1:5-21). For these be the first fruit of eternal life unto God. (Cor. 15:20-25). The first fruits which are the called—those who are clearly and righteously divided, for election comes by faith and works of righteousness and is rewarded with eternal life—a condition of life which Adam did not possess and therefore could not have lost. He did not partake of the Tree of Life, only, had the promise of eternal life by obedience.

Free grace comes by the sacrifice of Christ on the Cross and reaches every man and all with the restored to the same condition of life which was lost in Adam, but redeemed in Christ. (Cor. 15:21-23).

L. N. L.

ENGLISH DREAM OF GERMAN REVOLUTION

Hindenburg Suggested as First President of Tentative Republic.
(From London Answers.)

"If there is a revolution in Germany it will be led by Hindenburg."

This is the astounding statement made the other day by a neutral military attaché with the German army who has just come from German headquarters on urgent private business to London.

"What I say is a fact," he continued. "If the Hohenzollern dynasty is to be overthrown, Hindenburg is the man who will overthrow it, and before the war is over you may see von Hindenburg the first president of the United German Republic."

"Germany is ripe for a revolution. It is not merely that the mass of the people are suffering greatly, and are growing daily more discontented. However great their suffering and their discontent, the masses in Germany would probably never dare to break out into open revolt."

"But it is not the masses alone who are discontented in Germany. The wealthy middle class are in an even greater state of anger and restlessness than the masses. I happen to know that a couple of weeks ago there was a private meeting of some of the most influential commercial and business men in Berlin. The gathering was held in the house of Herr Ballin, the great shipping magnate. Herr Ballin is one of the Kaiser's most intimate friends, and his vast private interests are of much more concern to him than his friendship with the Emperor. 'Our loyalty to the Emperor has cost us half of our fortune already,' he said. 'We shall not allow it to cost us the other half.' A resolution was passed at the meeting to send the following message to the Kaiser, 'Win the war or end the war.'"

"I believe that there would be a revolution in Germany tomorrow but for one fact—that no revolution in any country, least of all Germany, is possible that is not supported by the army, and the only man whom the army would follow in a revolt would be Hindenburg."

von Hindenburg is at the pinnacle of his popularity. He is the idol of the German people. All the successes that have attended the German army have been scored by the German idol. And if Hindenburg is an idol to the civil

population in Germany he is something even more to the rank and file of the German army."

FAMINE MAY FOLLOW WAR

Food Shortage Not Likely to End With Peace
(From Answers, London.)

Europe is on the verge of famine. The horrors of food shortage threaten to follow on the horrors of war.

England—better placed than most of the powers because of its colonial granaries and its superior world communications—will only survive the coming ordeal by going upon short rations.

The plain, grim fact that assails us is that there is a world shortage of food. The 1916 harvest from the world's granaries is 26 1-2 per cent. less than in 1915. Moreover, the armies in the field are constantly increasing, and their food demands are on a much heavier scale than would be the case were these men in civilian life.

And, apart from the larger individual consumption of food in the army, there is tremendous wastage. Enemy fire frequently destroys food transports and food stores. In any battle loss of food accompanies loss of equipment and loss of positions.

Neutral countries like Holland, Denmark and Switzerland are moribund. Mobilization to any extent implies the withdrawal of a certain amount of labor from the land, which, in turn, implies a reduced area under cultivation. But while it signifies smaller wheat

belts, it also signifies greater individual demands, for the more men there are in the army, the more food will be required.

Again, from the world's available supplies there must be deducted the great quantities needed to feed the 7,000,000 inhabitants of Belgium, who, without neutral aid, would die of hunger. Where there is abundance of wheat, as in Russia, the advantage is lost by the difficulty of transport. There are food troubles in Russia as in Europe generally. The railways are needed for the transport of troops and munitions, and the peasants, fearing starvation themselves, are hoarding the harvests.

Even in Holland, land of plenty, the danger of the coming lean years has had an alarming effect, and measures of economy have already been called into being.

With tremendous economies we shall survive the ordeal until the 1917 harvest, but the expectation that the new harvest will bring any considerable improvement is both dangerous and illusory. If the war ends this year there will be a great inducement to neutral shippers to supply the starving countries in the central alliance, who will be prepared to offer any price for the available wheat. The difference that the proper feeding of 150,000,000 people now on starvation rations will make in the world's supply will be so tremendous that we shall be foolish if we do not prepare for after peace stringent food conditions.

The Agromeeck in Press.
West Raleigh, N. C., March 17.—The 1917 Agromeeck, the annual publication of the senior class at the North Carolina State College, has gone to press. J. B. Powell is editor-in-chief and R. W. McEachy is business manager of the publication. According to reports, the work of the 1917 class will surpass all previous efforts in putting forth a record of their college days.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

St. Matthew's English Evangelical Lutheran church, Fourth and Harnett streets, Rev. G. W. McClanahan, pastor. Twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the congregation. Services in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Rev. J. C. Seegers, D. D., of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Columbia, S. C., will preach at both services.

Pastor Clausen will present the greetings of his congregation. Special music in the morning and in the evening music by the combined choirs. Sunday school at 10:30. Monday evening at 8 reports and greetings from the various organizations connected with the church will be heard. Mr. C. W. Polvogt will make an address. Tuesday evening a reception will be tendered the congregation and friends by the Church Council and the Ladies Aid Society. Wednesday at 3:30 the regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Aid Society will be held. Wednesday evening at 8 Lenten and Luther League services combined. Subject: "The Sufferings and Death of Christ." A most cordial welcome given to everyone to attend these services.

First Baptist church, corner Fifth and Market streets, Rev. John Jeter Hurt, D. D., pastor. Preaching by the pastor at 11 o'clock and at 7:30 o'clock. Morning subject will be the second in a series of Sunday morning sermons on "Miracles of Unbelief." Evening subject will be the third in a series on "Daring the Devil." Sunday school at 9:45. Special evangelistic meetings will be held at 7:30 o'clock. Junior and Senior Young People's Unions at 6:30. It is our special pleasure to welcome strangers and visitors.

Delgado Baptist church—Sunday school at 11:15 with classes for all who come. Mr. Wilcox will preach at the evening hour. An earnest invitation is extended to all who love the Lord to come and worship with us.

Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Rev. J. H. McCracken, pastor. Services at 11 o'clock and at 7:30 o'clock. Tuesday evening and mid-week meeting Wednesday evening at 8. Public cordially invited to attend all services.

St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Fifth avenue and Ann street. First mass in the morning at 7. Last mass at 10:30. Vespers in the evening at 8.

Calvary Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor. Sunday worship in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Special evangelistic meetings will begin with the Sunday services and run during the week. Sunday school at 9:45. Junior B. Y. P. U. at 6:45. Sunbeams Monday at 3:30. Senior B. Y. P. U. Thursday evening at 7. All other meetings and events as usual. Special meetings Friends from all over the city are invited to attend the meetings.

Bladen Street Methodist church, Fifth avenue and Bladen streets, Rev. E. C. Sell, pastor. Preaching at 11 in the morning and at 7:30 in the evening. Sunday school at 3:30 in the afternoon. The public is cordially invited. A warm welcome awaits all who attend.

St. James' church, Rev. W. H. Milton, D. D., rector, and Rev. Geo. F. Hill, assistant. Holy communion in the morning at 7:30. Morning prayer and sermon at 11. Evening prayer at 5. Confirmation class at 5:30. People's service and sermon at 7:30 on "The Essential Nature of the Life Everlasting." All seats free. Everybody welcome.

St. John's church, Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. E. G. Gribbin, rector. Fourth Sunday in Lent. Holy communion in the morning at 7:30. Morning prayer at 11. Sunday school at 11. Evening prayer at 8. Hearty welcome to all.

First Christian church, Dock street, Rev. J. E. Reynolds, pastor. Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 10:30. Evening subject: "The Lord's Supper." Sunday school at 10. Christian Endeavor at 7:15. Prayer service every Wednesday evening at 8. All are cordially invited to come and worship at this church.

Christian Science Society. Seventeenth and Market streets—Services in the morning at 11. Subject: "Substance." Sunday school at 12:15. Wednesday evening service at 8:15. Reading room at 10. Christian Science building, where all Christian Science literature will be found, open daily except Sunday and holidays from 4 to 6 in the afternoon. The public cordially invited to attend all services. Before the beginning of the meeting the prayer meeting committee passes around little slips, each containing directions for participation in the meeting. Of course the plan must be mentioned at the prayer meeting, and the co-operation of the Endeavorers is gained at that time. The slips will request one Endeavorer to offer prayer, another to give a comment on a certain Bible verse, another to read a certain stanza of some hymn, and on. Of course the requests will be fitted to the capabilities of each recipient. In line with this particular topic, some of the directions will be to point out the examples of cowardice as contrasted with those of courage, some to relate Scriptural incidents of cowardice, etc.

The following piece, if followed, will certainly overcome cowardice: If we turn squarely around and face our enemy Cowardice, and tell him we are ready to fight, he will flee. A Natural Coward.

Buffalo, March 17.—The medical association of which Dr. V. M. Pierce is president has placed at the disposal of President Wilson, 25,000 acres of coal land at Pierceton, Ala., for the duration of the war. The coal mine fully equipped with mining machinery, producing very best steam coal and twelve miles of railroad, is offered to the United States government for its free use in case of war.

A PROVERB, A POEM AND A PREACHMENT

(Selected By "B. G.")

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.—Proverbs 3:5-6.

PAIN
The cry of man's anguish went up unto God.
"Lord, take away pain—
Lord, take away pain from the world
Thou hast made,
The close-collared chain
That strangles the heart, the burden
That weighs
On the wings that would soar—
Lord, take away pain from the world
Thou hast made,
That it love Thee the more!"
Then answered the Lord to the cry of His world:
"Shall I take away pain,
And with it the power of the soul to endure,
Made strong by the strain?
Shall I take away pity that knits heart to heart
With a price,
And sacrifice high?
Will ye lose all your heroes that lift
From the fire
White brows to the sky?
Shall I take away love that redeems
With a price,
And smiles at its loss?
Can ye spare from your lives that
Would climb unto mine
The Christ on His cross?"
—BRITISH WEEKLY.

ANSWERED PRAYER
He asked for strength that he might achieve; he was made weak that he might obey.
He asked for all things that he might enjoy life; he was given life that he might enjoy all things.
He asked for riches that he might be happy; he was given poverty that he might be wise.
He asked for power that he might have the praise of men; he was given weakness that he might feel the need of God.
He asked for health that he might do greater things; he was given infirmity that he might do better things.
He has received nothing that he asked for, all that he hoped for. His prayer was answered. —EXCHANGE.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IS ORGANIZED AT BOLTON, N. C.

Forty-Three Join Churches as Result of Meeting by Rev. Wm. Black.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Bolton, N. C., March 17.—Rev. William Black, the synodical evangelist, who is so well known in Eastern Carolina, closed a successful meeting at Bolton last Sunday. His singer, Mr. Andrew Burr, was not able to be with him. The song service before each sermon, conducted by Dr. Black, however, was a great success. The town and community were soon singing the beautiful songs and choruses. All denominations took an active part in the meeting and great good was accomplished. Forty-eight made profession and 43 joined the various churches. The meeting was held in the Methodist church. The day school adjourned each day for an hour. The Presbyterian perfected their church organization, installed new officers and organized a Sunday school. The simple, plain gospel sermons of Dr. Black were heartily enjoyed. A sum of money was given to his cause as a slight appreciation of his fine work. He goes to Richmond, Va., this week to hold a meeting. The prayers of the good people here go with him.

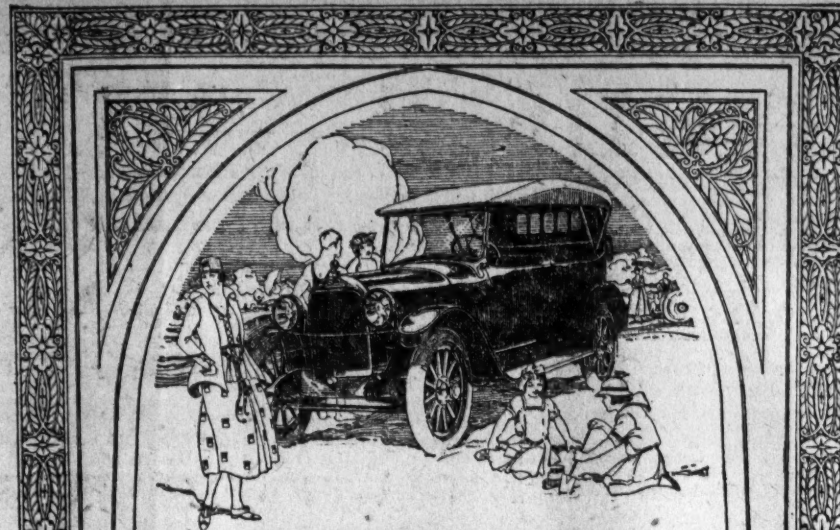
A. P. MCGUIRE COUNTERS HIS WIFE'S DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS

Institutes Habeas Corpus Proceeding for Custody of Children.
(Special Star Correspondence.)
Laurinburg, N. C., March 16.—Following close upon the action of Mrs. A. P. McGuire, who recently started proceedings in Superior court here asking for divorce from her husband, A. P. McGuire, of Fayetteville, Mr. McGuire through his attorneys appeared before Judge Webb here Monday and asked that the matter be removed to Cumberland county. This the judge refused, and early Wednesday morning attorneys for McGuire had delivered to the sheriff of this county papers for habeas corpus proceedings against Mrs. Margaret McGuire and returnage at Fayetteville Monday, March 19, in which A. P. McGuire is seeking the custody of his two children.

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BEGINNING at a point where the Eastern line of Fifth street intersects with the Southern line of Marcella street, and runs thence Eastwardly with and along the said Southern line of Marcella street, 30 feet; thence Southwardly and parallel with the Eastern line of Fifth street 33 feet; thence Westwardly and parallel with the Southern line of Marcella street 30 feet to the Eastern line of Fifth street, thence Northwardly with and along said Eastern line of Fifth street 23 feet to the point of beginning. The same being a part of Lot 1, in Block 540, according to the present official plan of the said City of Wilmington, N. C.

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NOTICE OF PRIMARY ELECTION AND GENERAL ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the City of Wilmington and the City Board of Elections, in accordance with resolution adopted in joint meeting on the 7th day of March, 1917, did call and order a primary election for the purpose of nominating candidates for Mayor and candidates from the First, Fourth and Sixth wards, and for the purpose of electing a Mayor and one Councilman each from the First, Fourth and Sixth wards, in said City. Said election to be held on Tuesday, the 1st day of May, 1917.

The following named polling places have been designated and the registrars and judges of elections appointed for the said primary election and the regular municipal election.

First Ward Precinct—Polling Place, Engine House, Fourth and Campbell. Registrar, R. T. Darden; Judges, James Lewis, J. H. Ekins.
Second Ward Precinct—Polling Place, Police Headquarters, City Hall—Registrar, W. W. Hodges; Judges, J. H. Hodges, John R. Turrentine, Jr.
Third Ward Precinct—Polling Place, Gibson Lounge, 1000 E. 10th St.—Registrar, H. T. Martin; Judges, W. G. Farmer, J. A. Austin.
Fourth Ward Precinct—Polling Place, Mills' Stables, Dock street—Registrar, L. W. Warrock; Judges, J. B. King, John D. Bellam, Jr.
Fifth Ward Precinct, First Division—Polling Place, New Engine House—Registrar, R. T. Darden; Judges, W. W. Hodges, J. H. Hodges, John R. Turrentine, Jr.
Fifth Ward Precinct, Second Division—Polling Place, Old Engine House—Registrar, John Walton; Judges, J. B. King, W. M. Crenay.
Sixth Ward Precinct—Polling Place, Mann's Store—Registrar, J. F. Mann; Judges, W. A. Woods, J. H. Vombie.

The said primary election will be held between the hours of sunrise and sunset on the 1st day of April, 1917. The said regular municipal election will be held between the hours of sunrise and sunset on the 1st day of May, 1917. Each registrar will, between the hours of 9 o'clock A. M. and 5 o'clock P. M. on each day (Sunday excepted) for seven days preceding the day for the closing of the registration books, keep open a suitable place for the registration of the voters in their respective precincts, and said registration books will be open from 9 o'clock A. M. until 9 o'clock P. M. on each Saturday during said registration period and shall be closed for registration on the second Saturday before the 17th day of April, 1917. No registration will be allowed on said election day except to such person as shall give satisfactory evidence to the registrar and judges of election that he has become of the age of twenty-one years, or otherwise has been qualified to register and vote since the registration books were closed for registration.

On the second Saturday before the election the registration books will be kept open at the polling places in the voting precincts for the inspection of electors and to enable any person to be made to right of any person to vote in said election whose name appears on said books, and if any person is objected to notice shall be given him and a hearing granted as provided by law. The Council has appointed the Registrars and Judges of Election as hereinbefore stated, and caused them to be notified by the City Clerk, and will cause to be furnished all necessary books and arrange for the ballots and will fill all vacancies occurring in said registrars or judges as provided by law, and will receive returns from said elections as provided by law.

By order of the Council of the City of Wilmington.

THOS. D. MEARES,
City Clerk and Treasurer.

State of North Carolina,

County of New Hanover.

RECEIVER'S SALE.

By virtue and in pursuance of a decree made in a certain proceeding now pending in the Superior Court of New Hanover County wherein J. A. Rowan is plaintiff and the Atlantic Coast Veneer Company is the defendant, the undersigned Receiver duly appointed by an order in said cause, will sell at the Court House door in the City of Wilmington and in the County of New Hanover, at twelve o'clock M., on the 12th day of April, 1917, the following described property:

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In addition thereto the mill site, containing three acres of land, is in one of the best mill site localities in New Hanover County.

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THE CURSE OF COWARDICE.

John 19:15-17.

A coward is one who knows the right course and will not follow it, because of the impending results which will affect him.

Cowardice is defined as the want of courage to meet danger. It is a stronger word than timidity, and carries with it the idea of baseness, or, as Webster says, it is ignoble timidity.

Why such strong language to describe cowardice as a curse? The answer is evident, because this ignoble timidity with regard to advance steps has held back the church and the Kingdom in countless instances. Why call anything that impedes the progress of righteousness by any softer name than a curse?

Cowardice exemplified. Picture a Christian Endeavor Society with high standards of life—with proper emphasis on the pledge and all the rest of it. Picture the Lookout Committee of this society presenting a plea for membership to a young man of good character, who, if the proper dependence on Christ could be exercised would be a strong member of the society; but he refuses to sign the pledge because he fears the unpleasant attitude of his companions. Cowardice does its work.

Or take a young woman who refuses to stand on higher Christian ground, because she fears the inconvenience of daily consecration and service. Selfishness and cowardice are in a large sense synonymous.

Consider the man who knows, by training and observation, the principles of morality that govern personal life, and business, but for personal pleasure, or gain, or fame, tramples underfoot the higher morality. He it is who tolerates what he terms "necessary evils," who upholds licentiousness, who traffics because of its revenue possibilities; who refuses to sign petitions against the maintenance of saloons; who is a member, without objection, of clubs and associations which indulge in questionable and even sinful actions; who will give a dollar, but will not give his vote for a righteous community; this man is a typical example of moral cowardice—and the root of it is found in selfishness.

The curse of cowardice is found in service, also. Many are willing to say, or to pay, or to pray, but the word so presents many impossibilities. For service takes time, and sacrifice, and humiliation, sometimes, and zeal and consecration all the time. Much of the curse of indolence in the church, a small group doing the work for all, may be laid at the door of cowardice. Happily conditions are getting better, for a generation of Christian Endeavorers has matured and increased not only the aggregate but also the proportionate number of active workers.

Cowardice gets in its disastrous work by holding back many persons from surrendering to Christ. Fear of the criticism of friends, fear of falling away, fear of failure, have deterred many from enjoying the surrendered life. The best antidote for such cowardice is to take the Master at his word, and to trust Him to bring victory. "Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ, for strength" is a certain dispeller of this brand of cowardice.

Plans for the Meeting.

This would be a private meeting to arrange as a "different meeting," as e. g., a "sealed order meeting," or a "chain meeting," or as a "telephone meeting." Concerning the first of these the following description is taken from "Prayer Meeting Methods."

"This meeting carries out the analogy of the sealed orders given to captains as they set out on a voyage, the orders to be opened after they have left the shore and gone a certain distance. Before the beginning of the meeting the prayer meeting committee passes around little slips, each containing directions for participation in the meeting. Of course the plan must be mentioned at the prayer meeting, and the co-operation of the Endeavorers is gained at that time. The slips will request one Endeavorer to offer prayer, another to give a comment on a certain Bible verse, another to read a certain stanza of some hymn, and on. Of course the requests will be fitted to the capabilities of each recipient. In line with this particular topic, some of the directions will be to point out the examples of cowardice as contrasted with those of courage, some to relate Scriptural incidents of cowardice, etc."

The following piece, if followed, will certainly overcome cowardice: If we turn squarely around and face our enemy Cowardice, and tell him we are ready to fight, he will flee.

A Natural Coward.

Oh! Mistah Trouble, he come aroun' one day
An' say, "Ise gwinter git you, so you better run away."
I like to see you hustle. Dat's the way I has my fun,
I know I kin ketch up to you, no matter how you run.
I say, "Mistah Trouble, you has been a chasin' me,
Ever since I kin remember, an' Ise tired as I kin be."
So Ise gwinter stop right yere an' turn around a-facin' you.
Oh! Ick you if I kin an' fin' out jus' what you kin do."
Oh! Mistah Trouble, he looked mightly ashamed,
He acted like a buckin' hoss dat's sudden, an' turned tued,
An' den he turned an' travel off, a-hollerin' "Good-day;
I aint got time to fool aroun' wif folks that act dat way."

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GOOD ROADS BONDS NOW LIVE TOPIC IN ROBESON

There Appears to be Confusion as
to the Main Facts.

Improvements in Lumberton—Robeson
Now Has Stringent Fish Law.
Thousands to Attend Colored
County Commencement

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., March 17.—During the past few days The Star correspondent happened to fall into small gatherings where the Robeson county road law was the topic of conversation. In one such group the correspondent said that he would like to know how many present, (eight in number), would vote for the bond issue. Everyone declared himself in favor of the proposition, making it unanimous. At another meeting, later on, not all the same crowd, the road subject came up again.

The Star man asked the question, "Will the bond issue increase or decrease the rate of taxation for road purposes?" One or two said "where you are now paying 21 cents on the hundred dollars worth of property, if the bond issue wins out, you will pay 15 cents." Another gentleman said, "Gentlemen, you are wrong, where you now pay 21 cents, you will pay 30 cents; 15 cents of the amount is for the bonds, and 15 cents for road maintenance. After the roads have been built. What is the use of building good roads if you are not going to take care of them after you have paid for building them?"

For several years the county has been spending something like \$40,000 or \$45,000 each year on the public roads. We have not the figures for the different departments, but it was stated in the latter conversation that very near, if not quite, the same amount was being paid for road maintenance. The roads have been built. What is the use of building good roads if you are not going to take care of them after you have paid for building them?"

We believe that we can prove by Mr. Frank Holloway that the greatest man that ever came to Lumberton was here yesterday. We can remember when Governor Caldwell was here hunting the outlaws; when Vance, Settle, and many others of their class were here, but they never were up as high as the visitor was yesterday. It was at the express office where he began popping off. He was looking for a package, it was there, but the agent charged him the wrong price; it was too much; he would call later. He then got onto the proposed strike—well, it wouldn't do to print. Mr. Holloway asked him where he lived, and he promptly replied "In the United States of America." He cursed out all the corporations and then some. The Star man then took a chance and asked the walking bureau of intelligence, if he would mind telling what state he came from, and he replied, "From the United States of America." We hope he leaves town before he reads about it in The Star tomorrow, otherwise we might have to send in a report that we are unable to be on duty. It is a sore on the world, and indicates that he would shoot, if provoked.

Lumberton people should take a walk down Seventh street from Elm to the power plant, and see the improvements being made around the Gospel Tabernacle, the work being done by Pastor Combs and one helper. The two men have saved many dollars by stopping a bad cave in the old gully, near the parsonage. Then just south of the church, where it was necessary to put up a guard rail some time ago as a precaution to save accidents to pedestrians; they have turned this guard rail into one of the most substantial rustic guards to be seen anywhere. Rev. Mr. Combs says he is one who has to work; says that he was raised that way, and sympathizes with a lazy man. He spends much time raising chickens, selling many of them as well as eggs. Such people as Mr. and Mrs. Combs are a blessing to any community.

At the power plant great improvements have been made and Superintendent McNeill certainly deserves great credit for the appearance of conditions there. The whole yard, light and filter plants have been enclosed with a substantial wire fence. You tax-payers should go and see this part of your property at least.

That part of the Thompson hotel building recently occupied by the Lumberton barber shop, is being remodeled, and fitted up for some kind of business, which at this time The Star man declines to say, for the very good reason that he doesn't know for certain. While it is not probable that there is another business of the nature of what that will probably be, we go no further.

All the drug stores are now handling ice cream. J. D. McMillan & Son sell Warren's cream; Grantham Bros. sell the Carolina product, and the Pope Drug Co. sells that "Velvet Kind." We have sampled all three kinds, and find them all as good as good can be. Twenty-five years ago we visited Mrs. Warren's ice-cream establishment in Wilmington nearly every day, Sunday included, and talk about nice places, that was one. She had one colored man, Alfred, to assist her, but no other "nigger" nor a fly was allowed in that department. It retailed then at Lumberton retail prices now. All of the Lumberton drug stores are now in position to give the best of service with the very best of everything.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thompson, who have for some time been conducting the old Lumberton hotel, Third and Chestnut streets, have retired from the business and moved into the Edmonds home, corner Fourth and Water streets.

This is certainly St. Patrick's Day at the millinery store of Miss Amelia

Linkhaw, if show windows decorated in beautiful green count for anything. War is being waged on the colony of English sparrows which for several years took possession of the old cemetery near the union station. Air rifles are causing many of the little pests to hit the earth to fly no more.

The supply of spring cabbage being shipped in seems to be sufficient to meet the demand at 12 1-2 cents per pound. Cabbage is the only thing in that line to be obtained here now.

If some of the farmers who have been experimenting in the canning business would inform themselves a little on the art, their profits would be much greater. Tomatoes canned in the surrounding country, are not, in many instances, what they should be. Green tomatoes are no good for table use in any form, and it's a big mistake to cut up one or two green tomatoes, can them and put them on the market. They'll be like the grindstone that went to Liverpool in a bale of cotton—it came back in a barrel of sugar.

There will be no services at the Catholic church tomorrow, the pastor finding it impossible to be here, but will fill his appointment tomorrow week, (the fourth Sunday). Rev. E. M. Hoyle, a former Lumberton pastor, spent last Sunday and Monday here, preaching in the Methodist church Sunday morning and evening. Mr. Hoyle's visit to Lumberton was thoroughly enjoyed by many friends who were rejoiced to see him again. Mr. Hoyle will always receive a warm welcome when he comes this way by hundreds of friends regardless of denomination.

Robeson county now has a fish law that will stop some people from charging fancy prices for the famous red-breast—it's against the law to sell one. Any person violates the law who catches over 15 of these fish in a day. The law forbids the use of "set-hooks," for any kind of fish. Netting is positively forbidden, except that owners of mills and other ponds may use nets in their ponds. Any mill owner is allowed to draw off his pond and let people fish in it at his discretion. The penalty for using dynamite is worse than for running a blockade still. Mr. John D. McAllister, of Lumberton, is county game warden now, and you'd better look out.

Thursday, March 29th, is going to be a great day for Robeson county colored people in Lumberton. On that day the county colored commencement will be held here, and no less than 10,000 colored people are expected to be present, including all the teachers and pupils. Special rates have been given on the railroads, and a special train will be operated from Maxton to Lumberton, bringing the schools at a rate of one fare for the round trip. All who want to see the greatest number of colored school children they ever saw in one bunch should be here. Prof. N. C. Newbold, of Raleigh, State agent of rural schools, will be the orator for the day. The exercises will be held in the Lumberton tobacco warehouse.

Those who notice the amount of booze coming in here now are convinced that there will be a few bottles in this section after July 1st. It will be strictly for medicinal purposes. Sheriff Lewis seems to have broken up all the illicit stills, as he has not persuaded one to come to town with him since week before Christmas. W. S. W.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN SAYS SO
The Famous Comedian Declares Making Fun is Serious Business.

"Making fun is serious business," says Charlie Chaplin in the April Woman's Home Companion. "It calls for deep study and concentrated observation. Fun that causes some people to laugh makes others frown. That can't be helped. What matters is to make most of the people laugh most of the time. How to do this is the problem."

The principal thing you've got to do to keep an audience in good humor is to make them think they are superior to you in intelligence. You've got to be the clown.

"Pride comes before a fall, we are told. Well, there is nothing so funny as upset dignity. Visualize a bloated capitalist with Dundreary whiskers, light trousers, spats, frock coat, silk hat, all the insignia of a million dollars more or less.

Now when the capitalist's whiskers are pulled by an abandoned funny man, the audience is convulsed. There is fun in striking contrast. One minute there is a picture of pride and dignity, austere, exclusive, apart from common humanity. If I reach out casually and hook that chap with the crook of my cane, drag him almost off his feet, pull his Dundrearys and step casually on his silk hat, a wave of mirth surges over the house. Perhaps people don't know why. But I do. It is because they never in all their lives believed anybody would have the effrontery to pull a millionaire's whiskers or step on his hat."

BOY SCOUTS RE-ORGANIZE

Work at Southport Given Impetus by Visit of Mr. Hinnant

(Southport News.) Growing out of the recent visit of Mr. Odie B. Hinnant, community boys' secretary for Wilmington, to Southport, the boys have become keenly interested again in the Boy Scout movement and steps have been taken to start it in full blast. Mr. H. E. Goods in took up the work as scoutmaster when Mr. Warwell went away and did good service for the boys until the press of other duties made it impossible for him to continue in that capacity and he regretfully resigned. For some little while therefore, the local troop has been inactive. The new organization has Dr. A. G. Holmes as scoutmaster and Messrs. E. H. Cranmer, K. T. Tolson, D. O. Daniel and Charles Rouse as troop committee. Mr. Jack Robbins, Jr., is assistant to Dr. Holmes. The new scoutmaster and about fifteen boys of the community are taking great interest and the outlook is most promising for some successful training for the boys along this worthy line of the scout plan.

WORRY THE CAUSE OF SUICIDE

Thomas Gibbs, Farmer of the Beaufort Section, Hangs Himself.

(Special Star Correspondence.) New Bern, N. C., March 17.—Thomas Gibbs, a white farmer whose home is near Beaufort, failed to sell his cotton when it was commanding a price of twenty cents per pound and that is believed to be the reason why early yesterday morning he went to a point near his home, threw the end of a rope over the limb of a tree and hanged himself.

When neighbors found the body it was still and it is believed that the suicide had been dead several hours. The constant worry over his misfortune is the only known reason for his rash act.

No, we haven't had the Highwood sale; that takes place Friday.—(adv.)

ALL-COTTON FARMERS IN THE SOUTH ARE NOT SUCCESSFUL

Success is Not Measured by Money Alone—Social Aspect of the Problem the Most Important Factor in Development of Wilmington
Section of Eastern North Carolina.

By ALLEN MAULL

General Advertising and Development
Agent, Atlantic Coast Line

The growing generation and many who were land-renters in the North have been induced to locate in the Atlantic Coast Line sections of the South, and where they have adopted the principle of diversification—family farming—they have succeeded, but when they applied the speculative phases of agriculture, heretofore generally practiced in the South, they have failed.

Many who read this article will question the statement I am about to make, that all-cotton farmers in the South have not been successful. I will go further, and say that those whom I have observed cultivating nothing but truck; in fact, all who have practiced the one-crop system anywhere in the world have failed. I do not mean that one hundred per cent failed, but those cultivating nothing but cotton, sixty-five out of each unit of one hundred have failed within twenty-five years, those growing nothing but vegetables—truck—seventy-two out of each one hundred have failed within fifteen years. This question will be taken up in a separate article and the elemental economics and the fundamental philosophy of the proposition explained.

Success is not measured by money alone. Behind everything stands the human thought and human mind. The development of civilization is but the development of mediums by which men express themselves and their ideas. Personal intelligence is still the keynote of accomplishment, and upon its quality must depend every undertaking.

Look at the average farm-home in Eastern North Carolina. Is it a satisfying picture? Does it linger in your memory, except to bring sadness and

regret that our farmers have not builded better; that they have not builded homes that are homes in a very deep and real sense; homes that develop a love and pride and self-respect in the farmer?

What Eastern North Carolina agriculture needs most is the class that will establish, maintain and perpetuate the character of homes that will satisfy and bring elation from those less fortunate.

We must remember that it takes more than one generation to do big things with land and livestock. When we see a finely developed farm, an agricultural development that conforms to the best in our modern civilization, it has been brought about by the constructive efforts of several generations of men, or by a man who made his money in the town and is spending it in the country.

Even the United States government is becoming concerned over the appearance of the average rural habitation in the South. We are all learning that happiness and contentment in the farmer's family are as essential to efficient service as improved tools and outbuildings. The United States Department of Agriculture will teach that properly constructed homes for the farmer are essential to health, comfort and happiness and the conservation of the strength of the women of the household. They must be made physically attractive. Pleasant and comfortable farm houses hold families together, but cheerless, unlovely and unsanitary houses drive boys and girls to the city. Investigations of prisons, insane asylums and houses of correction tend to prove that the situations that account for most of the institutions, often are bred in inadequate and unhappy farm homes. So you can readily see that the social aspect of the problem is the most important factor in the development of this section of Eastern North Carolina.

"TAG DAY" AT SOUTHPORT.

Boy Scouts in Campaign for Funds to Provide Reading Room.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Southport, N. C., March 17.—The streets were taken by the Boy Scouts today, this being "tag day," and the object was to get every one "tagged" with a red tag, the bearer giving the Scout

who tagged him a piece of money, the tag money going to a fund that is to be used for a reading room.

The local Boy Scout movement has taken new life since the recent visit of the Wilmington secretary, Mr. Hinnant, a reorganization being effected with Dr. A. G. Holmes, Scout master; Jack Robbins, Jr., assistant, there being a

THEATRICAL

The Royal's announcement of the re-instatement of the popular musical comedy shows for the coming week is an announcement that will be hailed with delight by many thousands of amusement lovers. The Royal patrons demand musical comedy shows, and the management has made new arrangements whereby they will be in even a better position than before to absolutely guarantee every show booked to give eminent satisfaction all through the week.

For the coming week they announce the first presentation in the South of Bobby Hagan's Manhattan Girls Musical Comedy Company, who will make a jump of over 500 miles to play in Wilmington the coming week. A field representative of the Virginia-Carolina Vaudeville Managers' Association is now in the North looking over the show for the Carolina circuit and this is the first of the big new shows to be sent down South.

Featured with the Manhattan Girls company is Ruby and Jack Garrison, "A Piano and a Girl." In the highest class musical singing specialty act seen in Wilmington this season, Ed Loop, the famous "Whistling Patsy" presents a novelty act that for originality has not been equaled in many months. Bobby Hagan, in Dutch comedy roles will fulfill all expectations. Monday and Tuesday will be presented the latest chapter of "The Crimson Stain Mystery."

Sessue Hayakawa, the famous Japanese actor who will be seen at the Grand Monday in the Lasky-Paramount production "Each to His Kind," is seen not as a Japanese but as an East Indian,

the son of the Maharajah, and although educated in an English school, is, through a girl's fickleness, embittered against the English.

By his wonderful performance in "The Cheat" Mr. Hayakawa established himself as one of the most popular artists on the screen. Following "The Cheat" he renewed his popularity in "Alien Souls," "The Honorable Friend" and his more recent picture, "The Heart of Kura Sen." In all of these Mr. Hayakawa has been seen as a Japanese, but his familiarity with the East Indian types and characteristics, which he displayed in "The Victoria Cross," as well as his Oriental cast of features, make him most acceptable as a high caste East Indian.

Supporting Mr. Hayakawa is a notable Paramount East headed by that famous little Oriental beauty, Tsuru Aoki.

"Fair and Warmer." Selwyn & Company will bring their greatest success, "Fair and Warmer," for a limited engagement here this season. This is the farce by Avery Hopwood which took New York by the ears for a run of one year at the Harris Theatre, and which broke all the popularity records along Broadway. "Fair and Warmer" sold out steadily for six months and had the distinction of making even more money than "Within the Law," was the former champion.

It is one of those farces which only Avery Hopwood can write, of four young persons with time and money to take themselves seriously, who get into more trouble than any living playwright could extricate them from without three acts of pure hilarity. It will come here with an admirable cast of farceurs.



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SCOTLAND COUNTY MAY SECURE A PULP MILL

Northern Capitalists Considering Proposition, it is Said.

Important Cases in Superior Court—Mr. and Mrs. James Return From California—Fire in Laurinburg Bank Building.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Laurinburg, N. C., March 17.—It is reported here this morning that certain Northern capitalists are seriously considering the establishment of a large pulp mill near Turnpike bridge on Lumber river, some 16 or more miles from Laurinburg in the upper end of Scotland county.

It is stated upon authority that a party of business men, representing powerful financial interests, recently made a trip of inspection in the neighborhood of Lumber bridge, and while nothing definite can be learned yet, it is understood that these men were looking for a location for such a plant and that they found conditions favorable there. The project is being watched with interest here and it is believed that something will come of it.

The March term of Superior court convened here Monday morning with Judge J. L. Webb, of Shelby, presiding. A number of cases were heard Monday and Tuesday, when in the afternoon the court was adjourned for the term. One of the most interesting cases was that of John H. Murphy, colored, against the Maxton Light and Power company, in which the plaintiff was seeking to recover damages for certain lands on Shoo Heel creek, which, it is claimed, have been damaged by "backwater." The plaintiff was given judgment for \$125. The defendants gave notice of appeal to Supreme Court.

Doubtless the most important case on docket for this court was that in which certain of the heirs of the Mark Morgan estate were seeking to have the will of Mrs. Margaret Morgan, late widow of Mark Morgan, set aside. This case was settled by agreement as reached by attorneys for the principal contestants late Monday afternoon. The chief items incorporated in the will are that one half of the estate of the late Mark Morgan, estimated at about \$800,000, will go to the two daughters, Mrs. A. A. Malloy, of Ferris, Texas, and Mrs. A. F. McGuire, formerly of Fayetteville, and who is now suing her husband for divorce. The other half of the property will be held in trust for ten years, with Edwin Morgan trustee. The other half of the estate goes to Messrs. Edwin and Eugene Morgan and Mrs. J. L. Gibson, of Laurinburg, grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Morgan, who died last year. The Morgan estate is one of the largest in the county and consists largely of holdings in the Richmond, Springfield and cotton mills. It is stated that more than 150 witnesses were summoned to appear in this case and about a score of lawyers were employed.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. James returned Tuesday from a month's trip to California. They attended the marriage of their son, Lieut. A. L. James, Jr., at Los Angeles February 28, to Miss Burden, of Dubuque, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. James were guests for several days of Mrs. James' brother, Dr. J. B. Shearer, of Pasadena, president of Throop College. On the return trip they spent two days at the Grand canyon in Colorado.

Fire of unknown origin broke out Monday night about 11 o'clock in the First National bank building on Main street, in the rear of a store room occupied by Z. Anthony. Smoke and water did much damage to the stock of dry goods and notions, said to inventory about \$2,500. The insurance companies are trying to adjust the loss.

Rev. J. W. Patton, of Greensboro, assistant grand lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Masons of North Carolina, came here Monday to spend the week with the Laurinburg lodge. But on account of court's being in session and other matters taking the time of members of the local lodge, Mr. Patton went to Gibson, where he is lecturing to Masons there this week. He will have a return engagement at Laurinburg soon, it is announced.

Laurinburg people are interested in the announcement that Miss Ora E. Cassidy, formerly a Laurinburg girl, and Edgar M. Brockwell, of Raleigh, were married recently at Norfolk, Va., and will live in Raleigh. Mrs. Brockwell was formerly Mrs. Davis, of Raleigh, and was recently divorced from her first husband.

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PROGRAMME IS ISSUED FOR COMMENCEMENT

Grand Parade of Children of Pender County a Feature.

Declamation and Athletic Contests, Award of Medals and Prizes, Dinner, Etc.—List of Prizes Offered.

Burgaw, N. C., March 17.—The programme of the Pender county school commencement to be held here Friday, March 23, has been issued by County Superintendent T. T. Murphy. It includes a grand parade of the school children of the county, debate, spelling match, declamation, athletic and other contests, awarding of medals and prizes, etc. The programme follows:

10:00 a. m.—All school children and teachers will assemble on public square around the court house.

10:30 a. m.—Parade of all school children headed by Whitlock's band, the board of education, school committee-men, seventh grade graduates and teachers through the streets of Burgaw and back to the court house square.

10:45—Devotional exercises, Rev. P. L. Clark.

11:00—Awarding certificates to seventh grade graduates, Rev. Chas. H. Uley, superintendent of the Seem State High School.

11:30 a. m.—Debate between Burgaw and Atkinson State High Schools. Query: "Resolved—That the Federal government should own and operate the railways." Affirmative, Miss Arline Matthews and James Lewis, of the Atkinson High School. Negative, Clinton Moore and Wyatt Blake, of the Burgaw High School.

12:30—Spelling match by one pupil from each school.

1:00 P. M.—Dinner. Each school to provide dinner for all present from each district and picnic on the court house square.

2:00 p. m.—Declamation contest by one representative from each township in the court house. Recitation contest by one representative from each township in the high school auditorium.

2:15 p. m.—Athletic contest by one representative from each township in the street east of the monument.

100 yard dash.
Potato race (for girls).
Three leg race.
Flag race (for girls).
Wheelbarrow race.
Sack race.
Running broad jump.

Points—Exhibits 30 per cent; athletics 25 per cent; literary 25 per cent, (spelling 15 per cent; declamation 15 per cent; recitation 15 per cent. To the school winning the most points, 1 per cent.

Chief Marshall W. W. Watkins.
Judges of exhibits—Mrs. Hettie E. Pennell of the Wilmington graded school; Miss Lula M. Cassiday, supervisor of the Orange county schools, and Miss Eliza Parker, supervisor of Columbus county schools.

Rule 1.—All the contests for this commencement are open only to students in the 8th grade or lower grades in the public schools of Pender county. The State High Schools at Burgaw and Atkinson excepted.

Rule 2.—No pupil who won a prize in any previous contest is eligible to enter the same contest again.

Rule 3.—No pupil who has not attended school for at least 60 per cent of the term is eligible to enter any of the contests named above.

List of Prizes.
Following is the list of prizes offered: Declamation contest, gold medal; offered by C. Harrell and Son. Recitation contest, gold medal; offered by W. D. Croom.

Spelling contest, gold medal; offered by W. R. Harrell.
Debates contest, gold medal; for the best debater, offered by Corbett Garage Company.

Best general exhibit from a one teacher school, \$2.50 in gold offered by the Bank of Pender.
Best general exhibit from a two teacher school, twelve inch mounted globe, offered by the Virginia School Supply, of Richmond.

Best general exhibit from a three teacher school, \$2.50 in gold offered by the Pender Hardware Company.
School marching best in the parade, \$1.50 offered by the Bank of Pender.
School marching next best in the parade, \$1.00 offered by the Bank of Pender.

School having the largest per cent. of the enrollment in the parade, \$2.50 in gold, offered by Supt. W. R. Smithwick.
Best drawing of a school house, one No. 2 Brownie Eastman Kodak, offered by the Dees Drug Company.

Best map of North Carolina, one pair of \$4.00 shoes, offered by W. C. Myers.

The Southern Desk Company, of Hickory, offers \$1.00 to each school having the best writing exhibit in the following grades: First, grade, second and third grades; fourth and fifth grades; and the sixth, seventh and eighth grades.

Best written exhibit of arithmetic work \$1.00 in cash, by D. W. Ramsey.

Best collection of map drawing, \$1.00 in cash by S. M. Williams & Bro.

Best composition on either one of the following subjects: "What Our School Needs Most" or "Improvements Made in Our School During the Year." A gold pin offered by Row & Peterson, of Chicago.

For the best language work below the eighth grade is offered a silver pin by Row & Peterson, of Chicago.

For the best illustrated story of "The Three Bears" by any pupil in the first three grades, is offered \$2.50 in merchandise, by Mrs. W. D. Hupp.

100 yard dash, one pair of Beacon oxfords offered by H. Margolis & Bro.

Potato race, one Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen offered by E. T. Follen.

Three leg race, two boys, \$2.00 in money offered by J. B. Moore & Company.

Flag race for girls, one \$2.00 parasol, offered by D. J. Farrier, Jr.

Wheelbarrow race, two boys, \$2.00 umbrella offered by John F. Moore and one box of Samoset chocolate offered by R. H. Williams.

Running broad jump, pair of Douglas shoes offered by Jacob Hurwitz.

Sack race, \$1.50 in bicycle sundries or \$1.00 in cash offered by W. C. Dicksey. Penmanship will be given the following schools:

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2. School having the best general exhibit.

3. A banner will be given the school winning the highest number of points in all events.

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FLORA MACDONALD AND PEACE TO BE MERGED?

Consolidation of Leading Presbyterian Colleges Proposed.

Proposition Considered and Thoroughly Discussed at Meeting at Fayetteville of Synodical Committee on Schools—No Decision.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Fayetteville, N. C., March 17.—The feasibility of the consolidation of Peace Institute, at Raleigh, and Flora Macdonald College, at Red Springs, was considered and thoroughly discussed by the committee on synodical schools and colleges of the North Carolina Presbyterian Synod, meeting with the trustees of the two colleges in the First Presbyterian church of this city. No decision as to the consolidation of the two leading Presbyterian colleges for women in this State was reached.

Though nothing was given out for publication, it is known that the committee is confronted with a peculiarly delicate situation. The supporters of Peace Institute are of the opinion that, if any move is to be made, Flora Macdonald College should be moved to Raleigh, while the adherents of Flora Macdonald are equally strong in the opinion that the mountain should come to Hahomel. A report will be made to the synod and the decision probably left to that body.

The committee is working on a general plan of consolidation and stabilizing of the educational work of the synod. It is proposed to raise a large fund to aid in the carrying out of this purpose.

Big Fight Ahead?
The consolidation of Flora Macdonald College and Peace Institute probably means a big fight before the adherents of either institution will consent to have their college moved. The Scottish Society of America is now working to raise a half-million dollar endowment fund for Flora Macdonald College, the name having been changed from Southern Presbyterian College when the campaign was inaugurated.

The standing committee of the Synodical schools and colleges has been working on the consolidation of the synod's educational work for some time, having made a report on the subject at the meeting of the synod at Salisbury last fall, but nothing as to the merging of the two leading Presbyterian women's colleges had become public until it was mentioned by The Star correspondent today.

Peace is among the oldest female colleges in the State, while Flora Macdonald, though not more than twenty years old, is firmly rooted in the affections of the Scotch Presbyterians. On the other hand, the move of consolidation will probably recommend itself to many Presbyterians as a gain in efficiency.

Those Present.
Among the ministers and laymen here in attendance on the meeting were: Dr. W. S. Wilson, of Lincolnton, chairman of the standing educational committee; Dr. J. M. Wells, of Wilmington; Dr. W. McC. White; Dr. D. H. Hill, and J. R. Young, of Raleigh; Rev. W. H. Goodman, of Clarkston; Rev. A. B. McQueen, of Dunn; A. W. MacLean, of Lumberton; Maj. J. W. McLaughlin, of Raeford; A. R. McEachern, of St. Paul; Rev. H. J. Mills, of Rowland, and Dr. C. G. Vardell, president of Flora Macdonald College.

A YEAR OF PROHIBITION.
How City of Spokane Has Fared With-out Saloons.

(From the Kansas City Star.)
Prohibition has been in force one year in the State of Washington. The Spokesman-Review, leading newspaper of the city of Spokane, in its issue of December 31, gives nearly two pages to answering the question: "Has prohibition paid in Spokane?" It reviews the business conditions and sums up the situation under two large headlines. One says: "Bankers, Merchants, Wholesalemen, Realty Men and Amusement Men Tell the Same Story. That Business is Better." The other headline is: "Four Million Dollars Saved for Spokane Pockets by Dry Law."

In 1915 Spokane, with a population of 105,000, had 140 saloons which took in an average of \$75 a day for 313 days. This totals \$3,756,000. Add to this the business done by breweries and liquor supply houses to private homes and the amount is \$4,800,000 which

Spokane spent for beer and booze in 1915.

The Spokesman-Review estimates that in 1916 there was illegally sold in Spokane by bootleggers at an average of \$7.50 a gallon, about \$700,000 worth of booze. This taken from the total spent in 1915 makes a total saving of \$4,100,000 in the first year of prohibition.

"This," says the Spokesman-Review, "means a saving of \$35 per capita, or about \$100 for the average head of a family. This \$4,100,000 would pay the costs of running the city government nearly three times over. Spokane's savings on booze alone would pay all the taxes levied for all purposes in a whole year."

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IT'S AN AMERICAN INVASION

(London Special to North American)

The use of machinery, particularly American machinery, in place of hand labor is being widely discussed as one of the large problems to be met with after the war. Under the stress of war enormous quantities of American machinery have been brought into England, France and other countries at war for manufacturing harness, shoes, guns, shells and the whole range of war requirements.

At Havre the Belgian government factory, employing 12,500 workmen, has 90 per cent. American machinery. Going through these works a correspondent noted at every hand the machinery bearing marks of firms of Bridgeport, Providence, Boston, Philadelphia, Cincinnati and many other points. The harness factory, for turning out cavalry and artillery supplies, was entirely equipped with American machinery.

The manager of the works said English machinery was good only on the huge, ponderous machines, but that American machinery was as virtually alone in the field on fine automatic work replacing the dexterity of hand-work. He estimated that the heavy English and French machines, chiefly in the foundries and machine shops, were under 10 per cent. of the plant, all the rest being American.

Some of the American machines were pointed out as having an ingenuity almost human. One of them, used in polishing the disks of shells, employed a magnetic current to hold the disks firmly while the emery wheels did the polishing.

Besides doing the war work of all kinds this new use of machinery has opened the eyes of producers as to what machinery could do for increasing

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County Commencement at Kenansville Big Annual Event.

Prof. E. C. Brooks Delivers Inspiring and Interesting Address—Content of Various Classes and Prizes Awarded.

(Special Star Correspondence).
Warsaw, N. C., March 17.—Duplin county commencement, the first to be held this year in the State, and therefore the forerunner of many more to follow, was held yesterday in Kenansville, when fully three thousand school children, their parents, and friends gathered from all parts of the county (some from a distance of 27 miles through the country), to celebrate this, the greatest day of the year in Duplin county schools.

The exercises opened at 10 o'clock with an overture from the Newbury brass band, which furnished inspiring music for the occasion.

Prof. B. C. Skeke, president of Duplin County Teachers' Association, presided efficiently and gracefully over the exercises of the day. He presented Mr. L. Middleton, chairman of the county board of education, who extended the welcome. Mr. Middleton spoke of the remarkable progress of education in the county during the last few years, and ascribed this to several causes, chief of which was the efficient management and supervision of Superintendent M. H. Wooten. He spoke with pride of Duplin county's rank in attendance as compared with other counties of the State, there being only six ahead of us in this respect.

Following Mr. Middleton's address was the declamation contest of high school boys, in which Mr. Dan Byrd, of Calypso, won the gold medal. This contest as well as the debate, address and delivery of prizes was held in the court room. At the same time contestants from grammar school and primary grades were competing for the declamation medal at the Methodist church. In this contest, Roy Whitfield, of Cobb school, was winner.

Mr. Arnold Byrd, of Calypso, in a few well-chosen words, then introduced the chief speaker of the day, Dr. E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College, who delighted the large audience, with his very able and interesting address, even the smaller children expressing their pleasure at hearing him.

Dr. Brooks' subject "Forces That Educate," was handled in a manner to impress all present. The speaker said that books were only the tools essential to education; that "primarily, they do not educate." That a child learns equally as much, or more, from the example of the greatest man or woman in the community. He also said that a child's ideals were a great force in his education, and stressed the importance of woman's work in education, and paid a fine tribute to Governor Bickett for advocating measures that would lighten woman's work in the home. He made a strong plea for practical education, claiming that it was necessary for the girls to learn domestic science, and the boys agriculture and other work by practical demonstration.

After this address, Professor Wooten then delivered the diplomas to graduates of the grammar school, who had won them, the number this year being only 22 owing to a board of examiners having been appointed, who raised the standard of the work required. Mr. Wooten's remarks on presentation of the diplomas, were inspiring and encouraging.

A recess was then taken for dinner and the grand parade, in which nearly all the schools were represented, the Quinn school, taught by Miss Lelia Quinn, making the best appearance and receiving a large U. S. flag. Two schools tied for the best attendance in the parade, and were each given flags. These were the Carr school in Island Creek township, and the Hebron school in Albemarle, both bringing every pupil a distance of 15 miles.

In the debate, which took place immediately after convening, the subject, "The Government Ownership of Railroads," was argued by Mr. Leonard Brown for the affirmative, and Messrs. Thomas Ward, Warren Smith and R. N. Byrd for the negative. The decision was rendered in favor of the negative, with the prizes, a gold medal and a gold piece of money, going to Messrs. Thomas Ward, of Warsaw, and R. N. Byrd, of Calypso, respectively.

Other prizes were given as follows: For the best speller and reader, grammar grade, and best recitation, Miss Rachel Witherington, Faison.

Best primary speller, Olive Geddie, Rose Hill.

Best primary reader, Eloise Herring, Warsaw.

Best speller, high school, Margaret Hall, Wallace.

Best work in algebra, Allen Bowden, Calypso.

Best work in geometry, Hill Simms, Calypso.

Best work in Latin, Margaret Jarman, Warsaw.

The best composition by girl went to Kathleen Powell, Warsaw, who also won prize for best embroidery. The prize for the best composition by a boy, went to Holt Moore, Faison.

Best general exhibit, Rose Hill.

Best composition on history of Duplin county, gold medal given by Mr. John A. Gavin, Jr., was won by Miss Annie Honey, of Wallace.

Best map of North Carolina, Paul Moore, Warsaw.

Best bookrack, best basket, Rose Hill.

Best article kitchen furniture, Wallace.

Best doll chair, Magnolia; doll bed, Rose Hill.

Best tatting, Margaret Grady, Warsaw.

Best crochets, Ruth Murray.

Best kitchen apron, Pearl Tyndal.

Best dresses, Marguerite Kastor, Bowden.

Best loaf of bread, Henrietta Patten, Calypso.

Best plain cake, Ruth Williams, Warsaw.

Best biscuits, Annette Boney, Wallace.

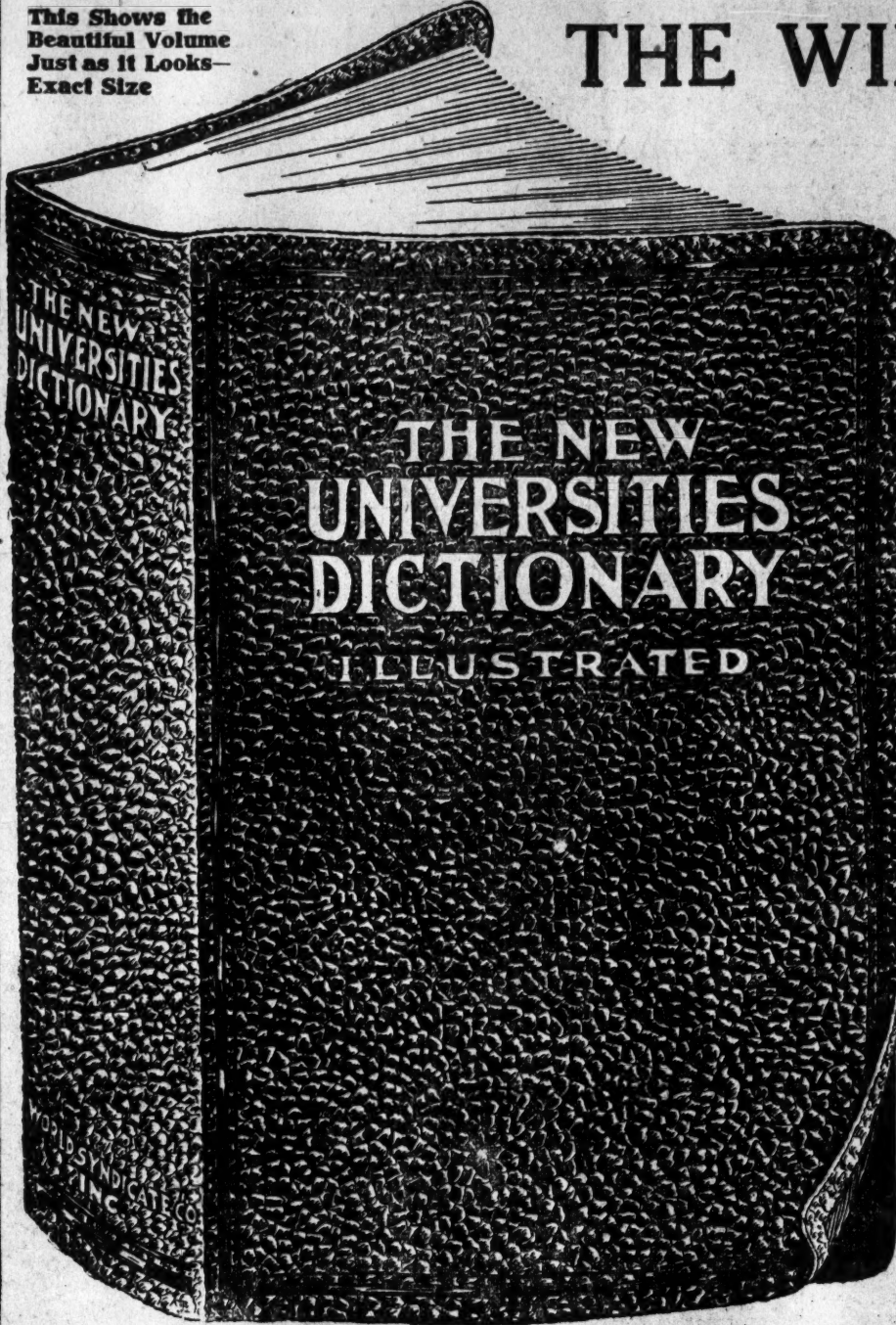
L. A. Peasley, of Kenansville, was the donor of a medal to be given annually for an essay to be written on some selected subject the one next year to be on "The Life of Zebulon B. Vance."

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There were athletic contests, and the Magnolia school was distinguished as being the only school to have floats. One of these represented a battleship, and the other a patriotic pageant.

WAKE FOREST COMMENCEMENT ORATORS HAVE BEEN CHOSEN

(Special Star Correspondence).
Wake Forest, N. C., March 17.—The highest honor to be had in the forensics world at Wake Forest College was bestowed upon six members of the senior class when they were appointed to represent the societies at commencement, by the faculty at a recent meeting. The appointments were based on the part the men had taken in debate and oratory since entering college. Messrs. Boyd, Reid and Rucker are to represent the Euzelian society, while Messrs. Hester, Daniel and Hayes will represent the Philomathean society.

Mr. J. Montgomery Hester, of St. Paul, representing the Phi. society, has won the following forensic honors: Junior Orator's Medal, '16; Wake Forest representative to the State Peace Orator's Contest at Greensboro, '17, and Anniversary Orator, '17.

THE CHANTICLEER, TRINITY ANNUAL, IN PRINTERS' HANDS

College Publication Will Soon Be Out—Features of Volume

(Special Star Correspondence).
Trinity College, March 17.—The Chanticleer, the annual publication of the students, is now in the hands of the printers and the editors are busily engaged in proof-reading and in making final plans for issuing the popular volume. J. H. Burrus, of Shelby, is editor-in-chief and R. H. Bennett, Jr., of Atlanta, Georgia, is business manager. The general plan of the volume, which is this year dedicated to Prof. Robert L. Flowers, calls for six departments: classes, athletics, students activities, organizations, fraternities, and features, to which last department special attention has been given in the form of jokes, cartoons, humorous sketches and kodak views. Besides Editor-in-chief Burrus and Manager Bennett the following students are assisting in the preparation of the volume: R. K. Courtney, of Lenoir, and E. F. Bunstan, of Elizabeth City, assistant business managers; H. W. Kendall, of Shelby; K. C. Towe, of Roanoke Rapids, associate editors; V. C. Hall, of Wilmington, contributor to the feature department; L. J. Best, Jr., of Dunn, department of athletics; R. L. Fisher, of Gatesville, and C. J. Fisher, of Millersburg, Ky., department of organiza-

tions; Misses Lorraine Isely, of Burlington, and Adelaide Lyons, of Glade Springs, Va., the co-ed department, and M. O. Crane, Newman, Ga., and Wesley Taylor, of Norwood, artists.

BOTH GOVERNOR BICKETT AND MANNING WILL PARTICIPATE

Inauguration of Dr. Sikes as President of Coker College, 22nd.

(Special Star Correspondence).
Wake Forest, N. C., March 17.—Dr. E. W. Sikes, former dean of Wake Forest College, will be inaugurated as president of Coker College, of Hartsville, S. C., on March 22nd. Dr. S. C. Gardner, professor of homiletics at the Southern

Baptist Theological Seminary, will deliver the principal address, while Governor Manning, of South Carolina, and Governor Bickett, of North Carolina, are also important speakers for the occasion.

Governor Manning's presence on the programme is accounted for by the recognition of Coker College as a prominent educational institution of South Carolina. Governor Bickett's presence may be accounted for by personal reasons. During his career as a student at Wake Forest, he roomed with Dr. Sikes, and during his campaign for Governor Dr. Sikes aided his cause materially by delivering a number of speeches in North Carolina, and his last civic act before leaving this State was to cast his ballot for Bickett.

—According to a resolution adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at its last meeting, Sheriff George C. Jackson is empowered to levy on the personal property of all delinquent tax payers and he will proceed tomorrow to carry out this mandate. He will play no favorites and all who have failed to attend to this important duty will be subject to having personal belongings exposed to public sale, if they do not come across forthwith with the necessary wherewithal.

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Funeral of Stockton Heth This Afternoon

Body of Slain Man to be Taken to Radford, Va., for Burial.

Members of Family Issue Statement Concerning Shooting at Blacksburg—Prof. Vawter Remains in Family.

Blacksburg, Va., March 17.—Prof. Charles E. Vawter, who is charged with the murder of Stockton Heth, Jr., in the upper hallway of the Vawter home on the Virginia Polytechnic Institute campus at an early hour Tuesday morning, and who is at liberty under \$10,000 bail, is remaining at home with his wife and children.

Prof. and Mrs. Vawter took a short walk together today and conversed in their usual cordial manner with any friends they met. It is not believed that there will be any further developments or that Professor Vawter will have anything more to say before the May term of the circuit court of Montgomery county, when he will face the charge of murder.

The statement made Friday by Harless and Colburn, counsel for Professor Vawter, that the tragedy resulted from a "broken friendship" has done much to relieve the tension among the population of Blacksburg.

Stockton Heth's body will be taken from Roanoke early Sunday to Radford, Va. The funeral services will be held at 2:30 in the afternoon. Lieut. Clement Heth, brother of the slain man, will employ counsel to assist in the prosecution of Professor Vawter.

MEMBERS OF HETH FAMILY

REPLY TO PRESS STATEMENTS. Radford, Va., March 17.—Members of the family for Stockton Heth, Jr., tonight issued the following statement in answer to the report issued by counsel of Prof. Vawter and also in refutation of statements published in connection with the case.

"In the hours of their tragic bereavement the family and friends of Stockton Heth, Jr., do not wish to discuss before the public the facts in connection with his death, but they are grieved for the accused have made the statement that he had been guilty of a betrayal of friendship, they feel it is only just and proper to state that from their investigations, the evidence shows Stockton was not only guilty of such an offense but there is nothing on which the accused can properly base a plea of the 'unwritten law'.

"They also wish to have corrected the erroneous impression that may have been conveyed by the publication of the rumor to the effect that Prof. Vawter had fled from a trip out of town for the purpose of surprising Stockton. There is no foundation for such a rumor and it can be positively stated that Prof. Vawter occupied the same room with his wife on that night and did not leave the house."

BATTLESHIPS BUILT IN ENGLAND IN 21 MONTHS

William Hard, Back from England, Makes U. S. Manufacturers Sit up

There is no exaggeration in the statement sometimes made that this war has given England's industries, all of them put together, a new speed—a new enthusiasm for organization and for investigation and for education—really almost a new life. If there ever was a case of a phoenix rising from its ashes, it is the case of this England, the mother of modern industry, very old and very tired, rising from the pyre of war again renewing its life.

I have seen a battleship, a battleship of first class size and of more than first class engine power, steaming to the Grand Fleet ready for action, on the twentieth day of the twenty-first month from the day on which the drawing for her were received by the shipyard! I talked with one of the engineers who helped to build her. He had no notion that England, "the world's workshop," had nothing in private industry other countries. That sort of complacency in England had received a body-blow. This engineer was thoroughly familiar with the writings of Taylor and of Emerson and of other important American students and practitioners of scientific management. When he found that I knew something about the methods used by a certain firm in New England, I had to promise him to go to that firm and, if possible, get their latest results and send them to him.

Such interest in scientific management, in organization, existed very recently in England two years ago. It begins to exist here now. I know a Canadian who spent many months in the United States and there became greatly skilled in methods of organization for factories and offices. He now has a large office, a large scientific management school in London. He and his assistants conduct "surveys" and install "systems" and give courses of instruction for employers and for employees not only in London but in many other places all over England. He is very busy and very successful. Two years ago he would have been lucky to have one-tenth of his present clientele.—William Hard, in the April Metropolitan.

CAN THE DEAD SPEAK?

Harvey O'Higgins' Article on Spiritualism First of Remarkable Series. That is the situation, then. I do not know whether or not these extraordinary messages are actual. I do not know whether there ever lived a John Lafayette in Omaha, an Arthur Caley in Providence, Texas, or a Cane Varley in Georgetown, N. Y. I do not know whether any of the persons exist to whom the messages were to be delivered. I am entirely outside of any controversy that can arise about the matter. So are the others who received the messages; and that is a point which I wish particularly to guard. We do not offer these messages as evidence either for or against spiritualism, telepathy, or any sort of occultism. We know nothing about it. The messages came without any volition on our part without any conscious assistance from us, and without any credulity to influence us toward an unconscious assistance. We received them skeptically, irresponsibly, with curiosity, but with no convictions about their origin or their accuracy.

I am publishing them in that spirit. They are evidence of what? I do not know. I do not wish to offer evidence and at the same time act as the judge

and jury on that evidence: I merely offer the evidence. But it seems to me that this evidence is important; that these messages offer a crucial test of much that has been published about communications from the dead. If they are true messages to living people, it seems difficult to doubt the reality of conscious existence after death. If they are untrue, then it is possible for any person innocently to invent names, addresses, personalities, involved stories, and convincing details of all sorts from his subconscious imagination, and to impose upon his own conscious mind and the conscious minds of others by unconsciously reproducing these inventions as messages from another world. Either the messages are true messages, or the human mind is so tricky that no merely colorable evidence of immortality—such as that offered in "Patience Worth," for instance—can be accepted as proof of existence after death.—Harvey O'Higgins in the April Metropolitan.

A DEFENSE OF FILLMORE

(Kansas City Star). Out of the pages of virtually all American histories the figure of Millard Fillmore, thirteenth President of the United States, appears vaguely hazily. There is none of the grandeur of Jefferson or Lincoln or any of the blunders of Tyler or Johnson to distinguish this President and serve to impress his record upon the casual readers of history. He is set down as one of the "colorless" Presidents and is criticized little and praised less.

Yet the three years of Fillmore's administration were as troubled as any of the so-called peaceful administrations. He was confronted with tremendous issues, some of which remain as precedents for our national conduct today. At least three times during his stay in office the country was threatened with the possibility of a foreign war. The nation was menaced with an early succession of one of the largest of the sovereign states and the breakdown of the Union might well have come in 1851 instead of 1861 had the President cared to take a slightly different course in regard to the issue of slavery.

A number of historians have condemned Fillmore as weak and have said he acted only in the interest of temporary expediency. Others have said he was but a tool in the hands of Daniel Webster, his Secretary of State. Only recently has there come forth a book defending the thirteenth President as a constructive statesman, one who has left a definite imprint upon the national destiny. This book is written by Dr. William Elliot Griffis, and it says in its preface:

"So far from being the 'colorless' man of American politics, Millard Fillmore was a man of active mind and deep convictions. He helped mightily to bring in the modern world. He killed off one war and postponed for a decade our greatest. He sent a peaceful armada to Japan and introduced the Orient to the Occident. He was a zealous champion of a canal joining the Atlantic and the Pacific. He was a Union man when sectionalism was rampant and explosive. He was strenuous in making the United States a world power and its politics cosmopolitan, but he fixed in our life the policy of non-interference with European affairs."

\$750,000 For Good Roads. Bristol, Tenn., March 17.—Washington county, Tenn., voted \$750,000 bonds for the building of improved highways. The majority of the county was 539. W. J. Barton, E. B. Mitchell, E. J. Baxter, G. C. Hale and J. R. McTear, were elected road commissioners.

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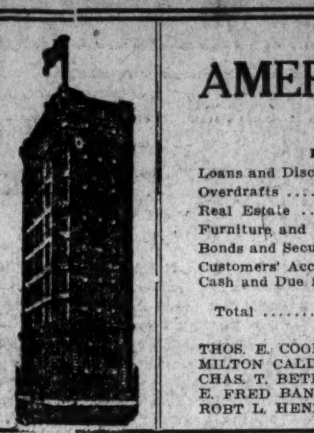
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Customers' Acceptances	82,750.00	Deposits, Banks	\$70,476.82
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